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NEARER PEKING. NEW FENGTIEN REVERSE.

A WINTER CAMPAIGN. WHAT EXPERTS SAY.

CHANG USES AEROPLANES.

Fengtien troops are reported to be withdrawing from a point only a hundred miles from Peking. This can be taken as an indication that the Shansi army is advancing towards the capital but other intelligence tends to show that although Shansi has drawn first blood, the real fighting has yet to come. There is a good deal of conjecture as to whether the campaign can be sustained in the piercing cold of the next few weeks.

GREATCOATS DISDAINED.

Peking, Yesterday.
It is reported here and generally believed that the Fengtien forces are withdrawing from Paotingfu.

There has not been any serious conflict in this region but it is believed that the reported withdrawal has been caused by a comparatively small Shansi force threatening the Fengtien line of communications.—Reuter.

100 Miles From Peking.
Paotingfu is in Chihli province, about 100 miles south by west of Peking. It is on the Peking-Hankow Railway, which runs southwards from Peking.

At Shih-chia-chuang, the Shansi Railway joins the Peking-

What Observers Say.
Quoted in one of to-day's cables, a military attaché of one of the Peking Legations expressed the opinion that the Fengtien forces were falling back so as to draw the Shansi armies out and then defeat them.

Other observers say that Fengtien has the advantage in more and better troops but Shansi's eastern frontier is protected by a range of mountains, passable in only a few places.

The Shansi Army.
Shansi is supposed to have 30,000 troops in the front lines near Kalgan (northern sector) with 10,000 behind and another 20,000 in reserve, making a total of 60,000 for this sector.

On the southern sector, 25,000 are believed to have entered Chihli province with 15,000 left in Shansi.

The total is thus 100,000 men exclusive of the home garrisons. However, Fengtien headquarters state (according to the "Kung Sheng Yat Po") that Shansi can only put 80,000 bayonets into the field.

Fengtien Chances.
Fengtien also claims the mastery as Shansi has no port whence to obtain foreign supplies and munitions.

Accordingly, Fengtien has given strict orders to mark time and fall back if necessary.

The Fengtien plan seems to be to shorten the lines on both sectors while waiting for crack troops to come east from Manchuria. In the interval, the "Christian general" (Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang) may have swung the balance against Peking.

General Yen Hai-shan's headquarters are now at Niang-tze-kwan, which is named after the Pass in the Great Wall, about 50 miles due west of Shih-chia-chuang, the Shansi Railway have to cross a bridge here with seven arches of 10 metres and three of 50 metres.

Fighting continues in the southern sector and, a Chinese cable states, foreigners in the locality are leaving for Peking.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin has ordered some of his aeroplanes to take part in the campaign.

AT PEKING.

Marshal Chang Tso-lin's Movements.

Peking, Yesterday.
The report that Marshal Chang Tso-lin has left Peking is untrue. The Fengtien Party is optimistic.

There has been no serious fighting as yet. What has occurred is that the Fengtien army is shortening and consolidating its front.—Reuter.

Rumours that Marshal Chang Tso-lin is not at Peking may have arisen from a report that he, as the Generalissimo, is to establish his own headquarters at the front.

Doubt About Generals.

Hitherto there has been talk of disagreement in the Fengtien war councils. Now the Chinese cables mention that two of the Shansi generals are suspected of deserting Yen Hai-shan, not to go over to Fengtien, but to fight Fengtien in the interests of the "Christian general." One is Shang Chien, who took Kalgan in the northern sector, and the other

A SCRATCH CREW.

"San Nam Hoi" Ran Aground.

MAY CATCH TIDE TO-DAY.

The West River Anti-British Trouble Extends.

On her attempt to pass through the Canton River delta with a "scratch" crew, the local steamboat "San Nam Hoi" ran aground last night near the Whangmun entrance light.

A "cruiser" of the Chinese Maritime Customs which happened to be nearby tried to tow the vessel off but failed.

It was thought that the "San Nam Hoi" would probably be floated on this morning's tide. The "San Nam Hoi," which plies between Hong Kong and Kongmoon, was held up at Pakkai (the port of Kongmoon) by trouble with the Chinese Seamen's Union, the interests of headquarters at Canton clashing with the branch at Kongmoon.

Gunboat Asked to Help.
Captain Sparke, who is a highly respected skipper on the run, asked H.M.S. "Cicala" for assistance when the crew left, but nothing could be done as the "San Nam Hoi" is under the Chinese flag.

An arrangement was come to yesterday and the ship was expected all last night. The reason for the delay is disclosed in this morning's advice.

WEST RIVER.

Lighters' Antagonism Extends To Takling.

Antagonism on the West River to British ships for refusing to comply with superfluous regulations by the Canton Government's examination bureau at Dosing has been extended.

Yesterday it was learned that the new river steamboat "Tai Hing" (British flag) had called at Takling on her way down from Wuchow but she was ignored by all the lighters, sampans and cargo coolies of the port.

"Form of Boycott."
To avoid the search at Dosing river steamers under British registry did not call there. Agitators induced the boatmen and coolies at Shihching to ignore British ships calling there; this form of boycott being an indirect means of forcing the vessels to stop at Dosing. Now Takling has followed Shihching's example.

The usual ports of call, going up from Hong Kong, are Samshui, Shihching, Dosing, Takling and Wuchow.

commands the Shansi units in the southern sector.

JAPAN'S POLICY.

Troops to be Despatched to War Area.

Tokyo, Yesterday.
According to a War Office spokesman the Japanese Government is seriously considering the despatch of troops from Manchuria to Peking and Tientsin, if the war situation becomes worse.

Meanwhile the Japanese Government is closely watching developments.—Reuter.

NATIONALIST SPLIT.

Looking to Wang Ching-wei as Saviour.

Representatives of all three political cliques of the Kuomintang are looking to Mr. Wang Ching-wei (who recently resigned) as the potential saviour of the Nationalist Party.

Wu-Han leaders, of course, support Mr. Wang Ching-wei, their former leader. Those of the Nanjing faction, now faced with the disintegration of the new government at Nanjing, are asking Mr. Wang Ching-wei to return to office. Several of the Shanghai faction (known as the "West Hills" Party) are also going up to Kuling, the Yangtze summer resort near Kiukiang, to interview Mr. Wang Ching-wei.

Rumours in Shanghai.
Mr. Wang Ching-wei is quoted in the Chinese cables as refusing to respond to the overtures, but promising to continue work for the Nationalist cause as a rank and file member.

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A CANTON WELCOME.

"Ironides" Have Grand Reception.

CITY IMPROVEMENTS.

Long Distance Telephone To Hong Kong Again Mooted.

Between 50,000 and 60,000 people are stated to have been present yesterday at the East parade ground, Canton, for the public welcome to their returning heroes, the Cantonese troops of the 4th and 11th Armies, better known as the "Ironides."

As most people know, these Cantonese soldiers took part in the anti-North expedition from the outset and have now come back from central China. The leaders have come to a close understanding with General Li Chai-sum, commander-in-chief at Canton, and the result is harmony and strength in the provincial administration.

Railway Protection.

Plots having been made against the three railways running out of Canton, the Government has ordered the Ironides to be responsible for the protection of the Canton-Hankow Railway (southern, or Kwangtung section) and the other Cantonese troops for the Canton-Kowloon Railway (Chinese section).

Reference was made last week to Canton's proposal to continue with the provincial branch of the Political Council, the highest local civil authority. Nanking headquarters had previously mooted the closing down of all such branches. However, Canton has definitely replied this week that the Kwangtung branch will have to function, owing to the distance of Canton from Nanking.

A New Minister?

Five delegates have been appointed to serve on a commission to institute reforms in the provincial branch of the Nationalist Party (which should not be confused with the Nationalist Government). All are officers of either General Li Chai-sum's following or of the Ironides.

Rumours are current that a new Finance Minister may be appointed, consequent on the change in the Canton Government. The Ironides now have a responsible share of the authority; nearly all connection with Nanking has been severed; and a distinct inclination to steer clear of Wu-Han has made itself apparent.

Police Campaign.

To all intents the Canton Government is now autonomous, although invitations have been extended to a few politicians, hitherto associated with Wu-Han, to take part in the civil administration.

The new Police Commissioner (who is one of the Ironides leaders) has embarked on a very thorough campaign to strengthen his department.

The proposal of a long distance telephone connection with Hong Kong has again cropped up. A decision has been arrived at whereby the city service will be improved before any step is made towards long distance.

C.P.O. BURNS.

NAVAL WRITER DIES IN HOSPITAL.

The death has occurred in the Royal Naval Hospital, Hong Kong, of Chief Petty Officer, Writer W. J. Burns, of H.M.S. "Danae" from general peritonitis.

Deceased was married and his wife lives at Rosyth.

The funeral takes place to-day, leaving the Hospital main gate at 5 p.m.

FAIR WEATHER.

TYPHOON WEST OF MANILA.

East winds, freshening fair, is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow. The typhoon which is now severe, is about 100 miles west of Manila and is at present moving towards Hainan.

EYES ON THE MINES.

Labour Party Outlines Policy.

FIRM FOR NATIONALISATION.

Mr. MacDonald's Sympathy And Promises.

London, Yesterday.

Labour's policy in regard to the coal industry was discussed at the resumed Labour Conference at Blackpool, when Mr. Ramsay MacDonald moved a resolution, which was carried by a large majority, that it was agreed between the executive and the Miners' Federation that this re-affirmed belief in the nationalisation of mines and the development of coal treatment, organisation and distributive processes, as essential to the prosperity of the industry and to the workers therein, called for the repeal of the Eight Hours' Act and the resolution of the supply of labour in the mining industry; also that national provision without recourse to the Poor Law and local rates for the maintenance of unemployed miners should be compulsory; and the grouping and amalgamation of mines, the establishment of selling agencies and legislation to enable local authorities to undertake the sale of coal.

Mr. MacDonald in his speech declared that if the Labourites came into office they would assume the duty of nationalising the mines. (Cheers.)

Mr. MacDonald criticised England's backwardness in discovery processes for the extraction of oil and otherwise to organise coal and its uses and concluded with expressions of warm sympathy towards the miners and promises of political assistance.

Mr. Herbert Smith seconded and there were angry protests when the closure applied on the ground that the rank and file had not been given a chance.—Reuter.

POLICEMAN FINED.

PROFESSION OF ILLEGAL OPIUM.

JAIL FOR COOLIE.

Kwok Shiu, Chinese constable No. 525, attached to No. 7 Police Station, and a coolie named Chan Luk, were this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy with preparing illicit opium and possession of non-Government opium on the third floor of No. 21 Second Street, West Point.

The constable denied the charges, while the coolie admitted both preparing and possessing the illicit opium.

Senior Revenue Officer George Watt said he visited the premises at 1.15 this morning. The constable he found sitting on a mat on the floor just outside the kitchen door, he had in his possession a jar of prepared opium from which he was transferring some of the drug into a tin. The opium in the jar was still quite warm, and appeared to have been recently boiled. The coolie was in the kitchen where he was boiling some other opium over a charcoal fire.

The constable's reply to this evidence was that he was merely taking some of the opium to smoke.

A Fair Record.

Remarking that from the evidence it was clear that from the whole of the prepared opium was in his possession at the time the S.R.O. visited the place, the Magistrate convicted the constable on that charge only, and dismissed the charge of preparing illicit opium.

Mr. W. le Bart Sparrow, A.S.P., who watched the case in the interest of the Police then told his Worship that with the exception of a report in "July" last of discreditable conduct as a constable by smoking illicit opium, the accused had a fair record in the Police Force.

Mr. Lindsell imposed a fine of \$250 or, in default, three months' hard labour.

The coolie who was convicted of preparing opium and discharged on the possession count, was sentenced to five months' hard labour.

VOTES FOR GIRLS.

Are They Fit At Age of 21?

PREMIER THINKS SO.

Conservative Party To Discuss The Problem.

London, Yesterday.

Mr. Baldwin, the Premier, arrived to-day at Cardiff where to-morrow he will make an important speech at the opening of the Conservative Party conference. The Premier will, it is understood, deal mainly with three subjects—namely, the extension of female suffrage, the reform of the House of Lords, and economy.

In regard to the first named subject the Premier is expected to reiterate the Government's intention to proceed with legislation giving the vote to all women at the age of 21, that is to say, on the same terms as men. At present a woman has a vote at 30 years of age, and then only provided she is a householder or the wife of a householder. There are, however, conflicting resolutions on the agenda of the conference as to the age at which universal suffrage should be given to women, and there is a large body of Conservatives who favour 25 years rather than 21.

The opponents of the 21 limit point out that if women become eligible to vote at that age they will outnumber men voters, and they also express doubts as to whether women of 21 are either sufficiently interested in or well enough informed about political subjects.

Those who accept the age of 21 argue that women of that age are, generally speaking, as well versed in politics as men of 21 and they do not consider, even if women's votes predominated, that they would injure either the Conservative Party or the interest of the country. A vote is likely to be taken on this age question and the belief in official circles is that the conference will adopt 21.—British Wireless Service.

NOW A MONK.

CHINESE DIPLOMAT'S NEW LIFE.

Brussels, Yesterday.

A Chinese diplomat's promise to his wife was redeemed yesterday when Rene Lu T-seng-Hsiang, ex-Minister at Bern, renounced his career as a diplomat took vows and assumed the habit of a Benedictine monk at the Abbey of St. Andre near Brussels. Lu is aged 56 and his wife, who was a Belgian, died recently.—Reuter.

FALLS INTO SEA.

PLANE WITH ACTRESS PASSENGERS.

Lisbon, Yesterday.

A junker seaplane carrying as a passenger a Viennese actress, named Liany Dillew fell into the sea off Santa Cruz. In response to a S.O.S. message the Government despatched a warship which is searching for the plane.—Reuter.

WOMAN DIES.

TWO MOTOR CYCLISTS DETAINED.

In connection with the accident reported yesterday in which a Chinese woman was knocked down by motor cycle No. 588 in Praya East, the woman died from a fractured skull at the Government Civil Hospital at 4.56 p.m., yesterday.

Two Chinese sisters are being detained by the police in connection with the woman's death. It appears from information gathered this morning that the two sisters were each driving a motor cycle combination when one of the machines went out of order. It was attached to the other, with a rope and was being towed when the accident occurred. When the woman attempted to cross the road, she was misled by the first cycle, but was caught by the tow rope and struck heavily by the second machine. She was catapulted some distance by the rope and thrown with force into the side channel.

TEDDY BALDOCK.

His Fight With Willie Smith.

FOR BANTAM TITLE.

Winner Meets Bud Taylor In America.

London, Yesterday.

World-wide interest has been aroused in to-morrow's bantam-weight battle at the Albert Hall between Teddy Baldock, the "Pride of Poplar" and Willie Smith, the South African idol, over 15 rounds.

A purse of \$10,000 and a fight for the world's title match with Bud Taylor, America, awaits the winner.

Baldock has already cabled to New York accepting, but promoter Mortimer is very active, negotiating for a larger purse for a fight in London.

To-morrow's match was made at 8st. 8 lbs. thus no title is involved. Smith, however, intends to fight at 8st. 8 lbs. in order to claim the title if he wins. He says he is confident of stopping Baldock's winning sequence, but Baldock says he is determined to show his American cousins he is capable of defending the title against any challenger.—Reuter.

MARINE COURT.

MINOR INFRINGEMENT CASES.

COXSAIN IN DIFFICULTY.

Minor cases of infringements of harbour regulations were heard before Comdr. J. B. Newill, R.N. (Assistant Harbour Master) at the Marine Court this morning.

A coxswain (sailor "Talkoo Dock") who was charged with sounding his steam whistle for purposes other than navigation failed to bear up under the examination of His Worship as to the meaning of various sound signals and, in finding him \$5. His Worship ordered that he be tested again for competency.

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For towing five lighters of more than 500 piculs abreast through the Southern entrance of Yaumati typhoon shelter, the master of the s/s "Sai Kung" was fined \$10 or 10 days.

BOUND OVER.

FOREMAN AND COOLIES FALL OUT.

The case was concluded before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, in which a Chinese foreman employed by the Hong Kong Excavation, Pile Driving and Construction Company charged four sub-contractors coolies with assault and intimidation.

The trouble arose over a boulder on a site in Stubbs Road which the Construction Company was levelling. The sub-contractor's coolies were instructed to blast the boulder, but dalled with the job, so the complainant went down to the site and himself started drilling operations preparatory to blasting the rock. While he and a fork were on the boulder, the four accused and another man, not in custody, came and told them that if they persisted with the operation there would be trouble. The complainant took no notice of the threat. He was alleged to have been waylaid by the coolies while on his way to the tool shed and beaten with iron bars.

Not Corroborated.
The foreman's fork was only able to give corroborative evidence about the threat while they were on the boulder; he did not see, he said, the alleged assault.

In view of the complainant's story not being entirely corroborated, the Magistrate decided to dismiss both charges against the accused, but bound all the parties, including the complainant, over the sum of \$100 each to be of good behaviour for 12 months.



GEN. CHANG TSO-LIN

Hankow Railway. It was at this junction that General Yen Hai-shan's Shansi troops struck, after war had broken out in Suiyuan (the northern sector).

This is the southern sector. Apparently, the Shansi army has continued to exert pressure after gaining the upper hand at Shih-chia-chuang.

Paotingfu is approximately half-way between Peking and Shih-chia-chuang.

Three Arsenals.

Three so-called arsenals have been built in Paotingfu. They are really three small plants, two of which have been recently merged, equipped for repair work and the reloading of ammunition.

Paoting is the capital of Chihli province and formerly the seat of Imperial staff headquarters.

In the northern sector, Fengtien gave up Kalgan (on the Peking-Suiyuan Railway) and will make their stand at Nankow Pass, about 50 miles north-west of Peking.

As the Fengtien men in the southern sector are still retiring, one is led to surmise that Fengtien will concentrate on territory west of and within a radius of 50 miles or so of Peking.

LONG OR SHORT?

Prospects of Severe Winter on Campaign.

While some of the experts predict a long campaign in North China, attention should be drawn to the fact that the winter in places like Kalgan is very severe.

Snow will be falling steadily in a few weeks. Inside the Great Wall, the use by Chinese soldiers of fur caps or great-coats lined with sheepskin are traditionally effeminate. Tunics padded with cotton are the most favoured type of uniform.

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Hong Kong, 6th October, 1927.

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NOTICES.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the **EXCHANGE BANKS** will be **CLOSED** for the transaction of **PUBLIC BUSINESS** on **MONDAY**, the 10th instant.
Hong Kong, 5th October, 1927.

NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED have This Day admitted to partnership in my firm **MR. PAUL MARY HODGSON**, Solicitor, which firm hitherto carried on in my name will henceforth be carried on under the name of "**TSO & HODGSON**" at Pedder Building, 3rd floor, Pedder Street.

S. W. TSO.
Hong Kong, 1st October, 1927.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

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Hong Kong, 29th September, 1927.

MACAO RACE CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms of the **FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING** to be held on 15th and 16th October, 1927, can be obtained upon application to The International Race and Recreation Club of Macao Ltd., Hong Kong Jockey Club and Causeway Bay Stables, Hong Kong.

Entries will close on **FRIDAY**, 7th October, at 8 p.m.

3rd October, 1927.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

880 yds. Free style open Championship of the Colony.
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320 yds. Mok Challenge Cup are to be swum at The V.R.C. on Monday, 10th Oct. 5 p.m.

Entries will close on Sunday, 9th Oct. at 6 p.m., and must be accompanied by an entrance fee of one dollar (\$1.00).

The Chinese Harbour Race will be swum between 5 & 6 p.m., on Monday, 17th Oct. 1927.

The Ladies' Harbour Race will be swum between 5 & 6 p.m., on Tuesday, 13th Oct. 1927.

The open Harbour Race will be swum between 5 & 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 19th Oct. 1927.

The entrance fee for these races is one dollar (\$1.00).

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on **SATURDAY**, 8th October and **MONDAY**, 10th October, 1927, commencing at 2.45 p.m. on both days. The first bell will be rung at 2.15 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 per day for all persons including Ladies.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, at \$5 each per day up to Friday, 7th October, 1927.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2 per day. Each member can obtain upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Bookmakers, Pic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during Race Meetings.

Hong Kong, 1st October, 1927.

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COMING FLIGHTS.

TRIP FROM OAKLAND TO AUSTRALIA.

Oakland, California, Sept. 25. Kingsford Smith, aviator, is understood to be planning a flight from Oakland to Australia by way of Honolulu, New Guinea and New Britain.

He will start in early October, using a three-motored Fokker formerly owned by the Wilkins Polar Expedition which "blew up" after successive disasters in Alaska some months ago.—United Press.

Four Aviators Plan to Start.

San Francisco, Sept. 25. The Chronicle to-day published the tentative itinerary of the four Australians planning to fly from Oakland, Cal., to Australia. They will go via Honolulu, Rabaul, New Britain, and Lae, New Guinea.

They will use a tri-motored Fokker plane and will start about the middle of October. The fliers are Kingsford Smith, Charles Keith, his son, and one other man.—Associated Press.

Chinese Goodwill Flight.

A projected goodwill flight from San Francisco to Shanghai, via Hawaii, Midway and possibly Tokyo, was announced here to-day by Dr. Tien Lai-huang, a major in the Cantonese air forces. Dr. Tien is now touring the United States, discussing Chinese problems. He said that Major Robert S. Miller, of Minneapolis, and Capt. Harold J. Lynch, of Chicago, would superintend construction of the plane, and possibly fly it. The flight will start this winter. It is being financed by Chinese merchants of South China and of San Francisco.—Associated Press.

PLANES FOR ITALY.

ENTHUSIASM OF THE PROVINCES.

Rome, Sept. 11. The various provinces of Italy are beginning to throw themselves with enthusiasm into a new kind of competition or sporting rivalry, the benefit of which goes to the State.

Following the example of the town Verucelli, which subscribed for and presented the Italian aviation corps with an aeroplane, other cities have come into line.

Turin has declared that it will give ten aeroplanes to the Air Force and a committee is already in course of formation in Milan.

Friendly rivalry between towns and cities is extremely keen in Italy, and it is practically certain that if Turin gives ten machines to the Air Force, Milan will offer at least as many, if not more.

Public subscriptions have been opened in Turin, and offers of as little as two lire are accepted by the committee.

If, as seems probable, the idea catches the imagination of the country, Italy may easily be offered as many as 200 aeroplanes by its patriotic citizens.

The Aero Club of Italy is the directing body behind the movement.—United Press.

CUNO FOR AMBASSADOR.

SHIPPING MAN FAVOURED FOR GERMAN ENVOY.

Berlin, Sept. 25. Former Chancellor Wilhelm Cuno, who is at present head of the large Hamburg-American Line, is among those most prominently mentioned to succeed the late Ambassador Von Maltzan at Washington.

Von Maltzan was killed yesterday in a Lufthansa aeroplane accident of unexplained origin.—United Press.

FOREIGN CLERICS BARRED.

Quito, Ecuador, Sept. 24. The government to-day issued a decree forbidding the entry of all foreign clergymen into the country, irrespective of faith. Exceptions may be made in special, permitting clergymen to enter for a period not exceeding 40 days.—Associated Press.

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REVOLT FOILED.

GREEK SOLDIERS ARRESTED AT SALONICA.

Salonica, Sept. 25. Forty non-commissioned officers, two aviators, numerous telegraph officials and some former officers of the Volunteer Corps were arrested here to-day in connection with a revolution under the stormy Greek revolutionary leader, General Pangalos. The revolt was previously planned to take place to-day.

Garrisons at Athens and Salonica continue to be on the alert to guard against fresh efforts at revolt.—United Press.

SON OF THE PRESIDENT DANCES WITH WAITERESSES.

Alfred Smith, 14th and her sister, Fern, waitresses in the Community Lodge in the Yellowstone National Park, who were released by John Coudage, son of President and Mrs. Coudage, to be his partners in the dances held during his visit to the park. The girls are from Lyons, Kans., and are working in the lodge to earn enough money to carry them through the Kansas State Teachers College. Among the college students the girls are called "Smith beauties."

HAIRDRESSERS MEET.

ANTI-BOB CONVENTION IN VIENNA.

Vienna, Sept. 25. Master hairdressers and bobbed hair specialists of 54 countries, including 300 from the United States, met in convention in the Emperor Franz Joseph palace to-day and protested against the present stereotyped bobbed hair worn by American and European women.

They discussed means of restoring distinctive individuality to each woman. Rudolph Schiff, chairman, said that this could be done only by restoring artificial methods, such as curling and dyeing. He added that artificial tresses and locks harmonize with the features and contour of the face.

The convention attracted thousands of visitors. To-day's feature was a parade of 300 women of all nationalities, illustrating the styles of hairdress, clothing and jewelry worn by women of all ages, from earliest Babylon to the present time.

Schiff said that bobbed hair originated among the women Nihilists of Russia and not in America, as is generally supposed.—Associated Press.

REMAINS AS TRUSTEE OF \$30,000,000 ESTATE.

Chicago, Sept. 24. Judge Denis Sullivan to-day denied a motion brought by Lady Marguerite Hyde, Countess of Suffolk and Berks, to oust her brother, Joseph Letter, from the trusteeship of a \$30,000,000 estate.

The court held that the books of trusteeship were being honestly kept. However, Judge Sullivan further ruled Letter should make an accounting to a Master in Chancery.—United Press.

27,000 EXTRA LIARS.

AMERICAN TOURISTS WEAR OUT BLARNEY STONE.

Cork, Sept. 16. More than 27,000 American tourists have kissed the Blarney stone this year.

The curators of Blarney Castle are considering limiting the number of kissing visitors in the future because of the danger. They point out that the kissers must climb the wall and then be lowered down head first with another person holding on to the feet, and that should the hold relax, a serious fall might result.

Blarney stone is gradually wearing away, partly by the action of the elements and partly by the damage done by tourists in their effort to kiss the stone. Its potency, however, according to the common belief, remains the same. This has been described by one Irish writer in the following words: "The touch of Blarney stone creates smooth and graceful liars of the first magnitude with a sweet persuasive tongue with women, full of guile, blandishment and potent flattery."—Associated Press.

FACISTI PROBE.

ORDERED BY U.S. SECRETARY OF LABOUR.

Washington, Sept. 24. James John Davis, U. S. Secretary of Labour, to-day revealed the fact that he had ordered an investigation of activities of Facists in the United States.

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TAMBA MARU ... Tuesday, 18th October.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles,
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BOKUYO MARU ... Wednesday, 16th November.

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.

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LIMA MARU ... Thursday, 20th October.

CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON.

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CONSIGNATION—TRANSIT—REPRESENTATION

**SHIPPING SECTION.****U. S. SHIPS BOARD.****DECIDES TO END PIONEER LINE.**

That the U. S. Shipping Board has definitely decided to discontinue operation of the American Pioneer Line, a direct cargo service between New York and ports of the Gulf and the Orient, was confirmed by the board. This line is operated for the Board's Merchant Fleet Corporation by the Atlantic Gulf and Oriental Steamship Co., Inc. of New York City.

This action is the result of the board's desire to bring about better conditions in the service, according to Commissioner Philip S. Teller, who indicated the line constantly has been a source of worry to the board.

The Board has ordered the Merchant Fleet Corporation to make a survey of the line's ships with a view to taking care of its commitments by changing allocations to other lines of the board operated in the Gulf service.

No announcement of the reallocation is expected to be made, however, before the return from Europe of General A. Dalton, president of the Fleet Corporation. No suggestions were offered concerning what operators may take over the commitments of the American Pioneer Line.

The line represents a consolidation of two former separate services, one operating from the Gulf to the Orient by the Tampa Inter-Ocean S. S. Co., and the other from the North Atlantic to the Orient, or so called "round the world" service, operated by the Barber Steamship Co.

The latter Co. has been operating shipping Board steamers since January 1918, and the Atlantic, Gulf and Oriental Steamship Co. since September 1924, when the lines were consolidated.

Sixteen steel cargo steamers and one motor ship are employed in this service, aggregating approximately 200,000 tons.

This line is a member of the following conferences: North Atlantic Far East Conference, Associated Steamship Lines of Manila, Japan, Atlantic Coast Conference, New York-Freight Bureau, Hong Kong, Shanghai, China, Japan, Straits Homeward Conference, and Colombo Homeward Conference.—"New York Journal of Commerce," August 26, 1927.

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SHIPS ATTACKED.**RIVER BANDITS TAKE TOLL AT ICHANG.**

Hankow, Sept. 30.
The bandits, who had been interfering with the shipping navigating in the neighbourhood of Patung, were driven off by General Yang Sen's troops, but the majority have again appeared at a point 3 or 4 miles above Ichang. These bandits fire at vessels navigating in the vicinity and force them to halt. They demand \$600 from a large-sized vessel and \$400 from a small-sized one. It appears that almost all vessels comply with their demand.

As the place where the bandits are stationed is a buffer zone between General Yang Sen's Army and that of General Liu Hsiang-ping, the bandits are free from an attack, and steamers sailing in that vicinity are menaced.—Toho.

U. S. NAVY'S METHODS.**HIGH OFFICER ALLEGES TOO MUCH "RED TAPE."**

Washington, Sept. 24.
Navy circles are privately discussing possible action which may result from a recent article by Rear Admiral Thomas P. Magruder in the "Saturday Evening Post."

In the course of this article, Admiral Magruder criticizes the Navy service because, he alleges, there are too many admirals, a heavy overhead expense, and excessive "red tape."

A possible violation of Navy regulations is seen in the fact that Admiral Magruder failed to submit manuscript copy of the article to Curtis D. Wilbur, Secretary of the Navy, before publication.

Private opinion is divided as to whether court martial can be ordered to bring Admiral Magruder to book.

In the course of the article Admiral Magruder cited the presence of 24 naval officers at the Navy Medical School in Washington, where there are only 24 students. He also cited the fact that there are now 55 Admirals of various ranks. On a single warship, he said, there are 62 typewriters, and endless other contributions to red tape procedure aboard warships. He pointed out that there are seven East Coast navy yards.—United Press.

SUNK BY TYPHOON.

San Fernando, La Union,

Sept. 23.

The typhoon which swept over this province on September 18 wrought havoc in many towns, especially in Agoo, Aringay, Rosario, Santo Tomas and Tubao, where many houses were blown down. The damage is estimated at P6,000.

The sailboat "Nueva Vida," owned by Mariano Salazar of Causayan, Ilocos Sur, while anchored at Barrio Narvacan, Santo Tomas, sank during the typhoon together with a cargo of 828 cavans of rice valued at P6,210. The members of the crew were saved.—National News.

14 FOREIGN SHIPS.**PHILIPPINES INSULAR TRADE.**

Statistics read by Representative Juan Alcazaren, Chairman of the house committee on navigation, during the discussion in the house of the bill requiring all ships of Philippine registry to have radio apparatus, show that 14 foreign vessels load Philippine coastwise cargo.

It was also revealed that these foreign vessels transport a considerable volume of trade between Manila and the large southern ports, including Cebu, Iloilo, Davao, Legaspi and Zamboanga.

The foreign vessels loading Philippine coastwise cargo are the "West Carmona," Florence D., "Tango Maru," "West Cajoot," "Pawlet," "West Calera," "Dewey," "Editor," "Silverhelm," "West Ivan," and "West Orova."

Representative Alcazaren enumerated the uses of radio telegraphy. He said that radio has proved indispensable in protecting human lives at sea.

Replying to questions of Representative Ruperto Kapunan, Chairman Alcazaren explained why special certificates were issued to steamers permitting them to carry passengers to their maximum capacity. He declared the ill-fated "Negros," which was sunk near the Tablas Island last May, had no such special certificate.

According to him, special certificates are issued only during summer vacation so provincial students in Manila could go to their hometowns without much delay.

Representative Montano A. Ortiz of Surigao, speaking in favour of the measure, blamed the legislature for not enacting such legislation years before. He declared this matter was given attention in the legislature as a result of the incessant newspaper campaigns waged after the "Negros" disaster.

Representative Gregorio Perfecto of Manila also spoke in favour of the bill.

Favours Filipino Ships.
Senator Juan B. Alegre, chairman pro tempore of the Philippines senate committee on navigation, declared at the hearing on the shipping situation that unless it is proved beyond doubt that the Filipinos cannot better the service, no change in the present laws would be recommended by the committee.

Pio V. Corpus, manager of the Teodoro Yangco shipping firm, spoke against any change. He said that the Filipino shipowners should be given at least one year to improve the service.

The representative of the Campaign Tabacalera reiterated the need for not delaying the enactment of a law which would enable shipowners to place better boats in the service. He said his company was ready to maintain a first class service, if present laws are modified.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

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EMPERESS OF ASIA	Jan. 25	Jan. 28	Jan. 31	Feb. 3	Feb. 12
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BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.	Wednesday, 5th October.
SHUNKO MARU	Wednesday, 19th October.
SUMATRA MARU	Wednesday, 19th October.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.	Friday, 28th October.
PANAMA MARU	Friday, 28th October.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.	Tuesday, 25th October.
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VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Japan Ports.	Saturday, 22nd October.
ARIZONA MARU (From Shanghai)	Saturday, 22nd October.
HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOL	Tuesday, 11th Oct., 10 a.m.
TAIKWA MARU	Tuesday, 25th October, 10 a.m.
JAPAN PORTS	Friday, 14th October.
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KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.	Sunday, 9th October 11 a.m.
HOZAN MARU	Wednesday, 12th October, 10 a.m.
MENADO MARU	Sunday, 16th October, 11 a.m.
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LOCAL SHIPPING.

TODAY'S ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S LIST.

"Kwong Sang" (1,428) British, from Canton, Jardine's—307 tons general cargo (through).
"Kaying" (1,572) British, from Bangkok, Holhow—B. & S.—16 passengers, 400 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.
"Haidie" (1,144) British, from Taurane—Wo Fat Sing—38 passengers, 2,200 tons rice and general cargo for Hong Kong.
"City of Salford" (3,134) British, from Singapore, Bank Line—2 passengers.
"Torilla" (3,189) British, from Singapore, Mackinnon Mackenzie—1 passenger, 1,233 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 3,798 tons general (through).
"Alipore" (3,241) British, from Shanghai, Mackinnon Mackenzie—500 tons coal and general cargo for Hong Kong, 2,600 tons coal and general (through).
"Hal Ning" (832) British, from Swatow, Douglas & Co.—229 passengers, 420 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.
"Hydrangea" (661) British, from Swatow, Chiu On Co.—125 passengers, 85 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.
"Hang Sang" (1,356) British, from Swatow, Jardine's—3 passengers, 490 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 680 tons general (through).
"Song Bo" (720) French, from Fort Bayard, M.M.—22 passengers, 890 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 6 tons general (through).
"Halldor" (840) Norwegian, from Kongsberg, Thoresen & Co.—2,168 tons rice and general cargo for Hong Kong.
"Hellas" (1,113) Norwegian, from Bangkok, Swatow, Thoresen & Co.—12 passengers, 1,899 tons rice and general cargo for Hong Kong.
"Bintang" (1,726) Danish, from Bangkok, Swatow, Kwong Ngan Seng—2 passengers.
"Hozan Maru" (1,383) Japanese, from Kanton, Swatow, O.S.K.—16 passengers, 500 tons coal and 235 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.
"Tottori Maru" (3,708) Japanese, from Singapore, N.Y.K.—8 passengers, 566 tons general cargo for Hong Kong, 7,436 tons general (through).
"Wing Wo" (503) Chinese, from Macao, Yen Kee Co.—300 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.
"Yuen Jeng" (966) Chinese, from Saigon, Yuen Seng Fat—2 passengers, 1,900 tons rice for Hong Kong.
"Soon Ann" (738) Chinese, from Hoihow, Shun On S.S. Co.—50 tons general cargo for Hong Kong.
"Hung On" (2,097) Chinese, from Port Campa, Ching Sun Co.—1,220 tons coal for Hong Kong, 3,100 tons coal (through).
Departures.
For Weihaiwei:—Huichow.
For Singapore:—Shunko Maru, Hector.
For San Francisco:—West El Cajon.
For Tientsin:—Hupeh.
For Hoihow:—Shinsei Maru 6.
Michael Jensen.
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For Moji:—Tottori Maru.
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For Swatow:—Lushan Maru, Ichang, Van Heutz.
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For Autau:—Tak Hing.
For Bangkok:—Apocoy.
Clearances.
For Singapore:—Apocoy.
For Swatow:—Dali Maru.
Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	Port.
British	9	7	25
Japanese	2	0	8
Norwegian	2	0	19
Chinese	4	1	18
Dutch	1	1	1
Danish	0	1	5
French	1	0	2
Portuguese	0	1	3
American	0	0	1
Panama	0	0	1
	19	17	71

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Kobe on October 4 at 5 p.m. left Kobe yesterday at 8 a.m. and is due at Nagasaki today at 7 a.m.
The Ben Line s.s. "Benclench" from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits, is due to arrive here on October 10.
The M.V. s.s. "Japan" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Antwerp on September 2, and is due here on or about October 12.
The m.v. "Romolo" (D. & Co.) sailed from Penang on October 3, and is due here on October 13.
The s.s. "Kendal Castle" (D. & Co.) arrived in Manila on October 4, and is expected here on October 14.
The following vessels of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes are expected to arrive in Hong Kong:—
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The s.s. "Venezia" (D. & Co.) sailed from Port Said on October 3, and is due here on November 10.
The "Tianhai" (D. & Co.) sailed from New York on Sept. 22, and is expected here on November 15.

REPORT ON EXPLOSION.

AIR TANK ON BOLOS GAVE WAY.

An official report of the explosion on board the launch "Bolos" was submitted in Manila on September 22 to the insular collector of customs by Captain Manuel del Villar, surveyor of the port. The report states that the "Bolos" had been brought to Manila from Casiguran, Sorogon, and was being conditioned for customs inspection and registry under the new owner, father of the Marcos brothers who were injured in the accident.
While the engine, which was of the Skandia type, was being tested, the air-tank loaded to 150-pound pressure, exploded as soon as the engine started. The air-tank was guaranteed to hold a pressure of 250 pounds, says the report.
The stern of the boat was blown off and fragments were thrown 200 feet. The steamers "Titanic" and "Barrauda" immediately went to the rescue.

WELLINGTON HARBOUR.

The chief exports from the port of Wellington, New Zealand, are wool, frozen meat, butter and cheese, and, during the year ending September 30, 1926, goods to the total value of £14,189,997 were sent overseas. During the same period, the value of the imports entering the port was £16,192,897, rather more than half this total was supplied by the United Kingdom. According to the recently-published annual report of the Wellington Harbour Board, the total income of the port for the year under review was £493,543 and the expenditure £459,134, leaving a net surplus on the year's working of £34,408, as against £30,149 for the previous year. The work of strengthening and extending the Miramar wharf was completed in March, 1926, and the wharf has since been utilised to its fullest extent for coal, timber, and oil ships. It is stated in the report, however, that if the industries around Miramar continue to expand, as at present, it will be necessary to provide for further wharfage accommodation in this locality in the near future. The construction of the concrete sea wall, 3,429 feet in length, in connection with the Thorndon reclamation scheme, is proceeding steadily. At the beginning of the financial year 1926-27, 49,330 cu. yards of concrete had been deposited out of a total of 61,605 cu. yards. Practically all of the balance had been deposited by the middle of February. At the request of the Railway Department, the wall was extended by 450 feet, involving the placing of an additional 13,387 cu. yards of concrete. On September 30, there remained only 4,169 cu. yards of concrete to be put in position to complete the whole work. During the year 476,960 tons of dredgings were pumped in behind the sea wall—"Engineering."



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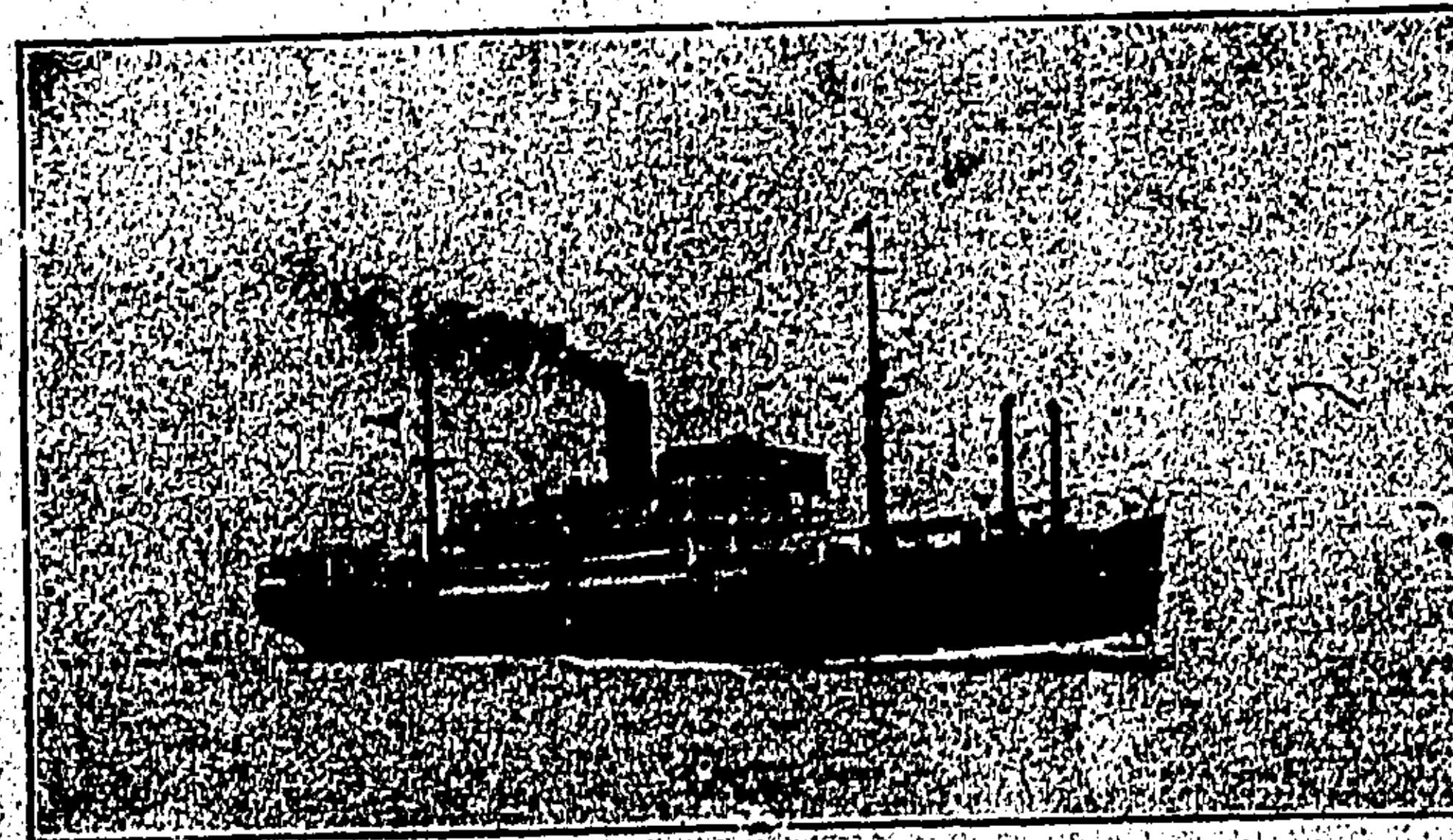
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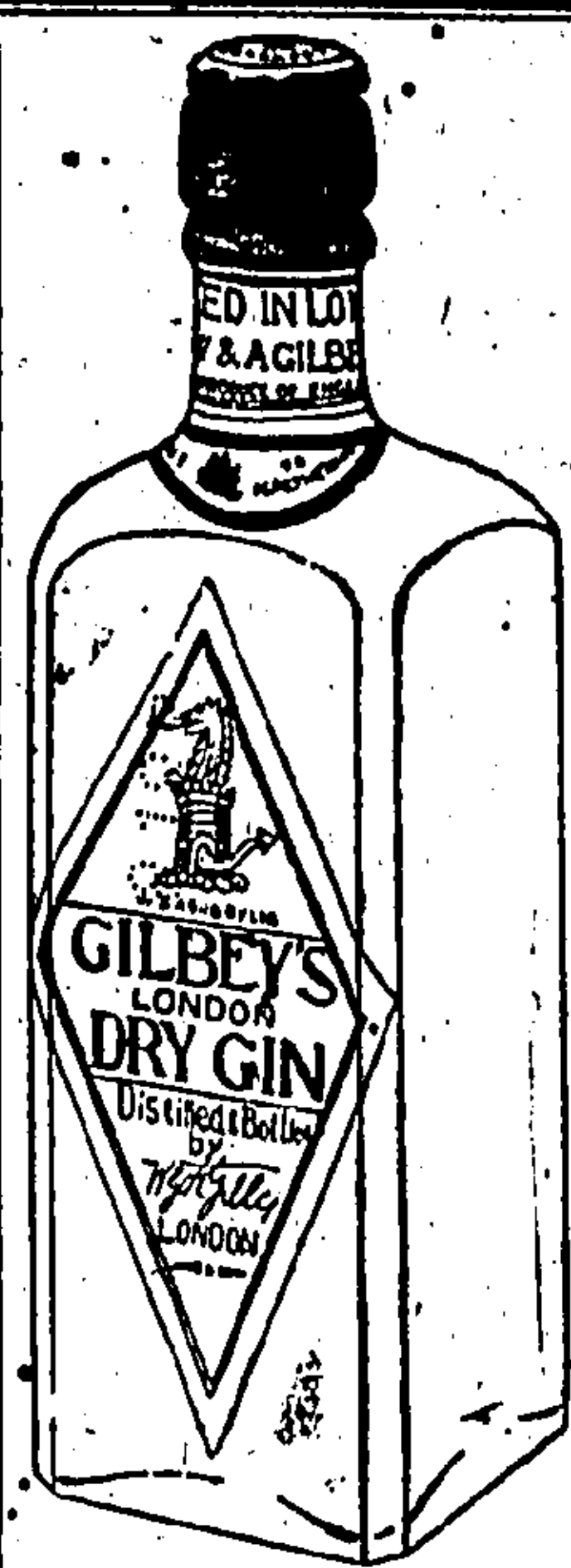
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to put an end to many of the artificial props to trade that previously existed. Mr. Ho Lu laments the fact that the trade of Hong Kong has been undermined and that we are having a slow revival. But he cannot overlook the fact that that revival, though slow it be, is not due to any change in what he is pleased to term the extreme over-cautiousness of some of the local foreign banks. The admission that trade is reviving at all is a tribute in itself to the policy of the foreign bankers in endeavouring to reconstruct commerce on a substantial and permanent foundation. Far from undermining trade and causing suppliers and consignors of goods abroad to lose their zest and confidence in despatching goods to this distributing centre, the asset of trade stability ultimately should be sufficient in itself to offset many of the other disadvantages from which local trade has been suffering since the dislocation was created by insidious forces outside this Colony.

That Pledge.

"Poppy Day," or "Remembrance Day," is but a month away, and it would be interesting to know whether preparations are well in hand for its fit and due observance in Hong Kong. The fact that a one-day stunt collected for the M.C.L. a sum approaching \$10,000 augurs well for the financial success of November 11, when the little red flowers are sold for the benefit of Earl Haig's British Legion. Last year a total of £1,517 14s. was obtained in the Colony. In some of the previous years it has reached a higher figure, and there seems no sound reason why it should not again rise above an aggregate of a thousand and odd pounds sterling. November 11 is the one day of the year upon which all Britons should open their purse strings as widely as possible. It should not be necessary to say so, but it is! That the money collected goes for a worthy object, we all know. It is apportioned among the British Legion general funds, the Officers' Benevolent Department, the Relief Department, the British Legion in Scotland, the Sanatorium and Settlement, and the Legion's poppy factories. It is seen, therefore, that the activities of Earl Haig's Legion cover a wide field and include, in addition to the relief of distress amongst ex-Servicemen of all ranks, their dependants, and the widows and children of those who fell, such essential services as finding them employment, assisting and advising them on questions relating to pensions, granting loans, free of interest, to enable them to establish businesses, providing the means to enable them to emigrate, giving them free legal advice on housing, employment and similar matters, helping to educate the children, and so give them a start in life, and serving generally to discharge the obligations incurred through the National Pledge that no man who went out to fight for his country in the crisis should be in a worse position on his return to civil life. This Pledge, we know, has not been kept, but it must be accepted by everyone that the British Legion is doing more than anybody else, the Government included, to keep it. And it is up to us all to help the Legion to keep it.

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The family of the late Mr. P. H. Murray thanks all friends for the floral tribute and sympathy received.

Hong Kong, Thursday, October 6, 1927.

TRADE FACILITIES.

Another contribution has been made to the discussion on trade revival by Mr. Ho Lu, a member of the Trade Revival Committee of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. Whether or not his views or the views of others are endorsed, it is certainly encouraging to find Chinese merchants having the courage of their convictions by boldly stating them to their own Chamber. Even were their conclusions to be turned down they can still have the satisfaction of attempting something in the direction of effecting a trade revival in the Colony, a desideratum as much to be desired by non-Chinese as by Chinese. And any criticism that their opinions may provoke must be taken in the same spirit and in the same good cause.

Mr. Ho Lu, in his lengthy memorandum to the Chinese Chamber, submits that the protracted bad times were, in a measure, aggravated by the extreme over-cautiousness of the local leading banks—by withdrawing abruptly all the pre-arranged facilities—and by refusing, especially in time of crisis, to be in any way accommodating to the Chinese established custom of conducting business. As a concrete instance he mentions that rice, which in the Colony, when imported from Bangkok, Saigon, or Haiphong, have to go to the native banks for short-time loans in order to meet their

obligations to the foreign banks, whenever there is a slump prevailing in the market. Such loans are renewable, fortnightly or monthly, until such time as the hong is able to dispose of their goods in a more favourable market and then redeem their loans with the proceeds obtained from the sale. Ever since the strike and boycott, says Mr. Ho Lu, these facilities have been greatly curtailed and business automatically hampered. This curtailment is attributed to the over-cautiousness of the foreign banks in withdrawing facilities in loans and advances on shares and properties. The upshot, he says, was that "the native banks were impelled to recall no fewer than forty million dollars loans outstanding to meet the run of their depositors that would, in ordinary circumstances, have gone to finance the entire Chinese trade of Hong Kong acting as a useful lubricant to keep the wheel of commerce running smoothly." It is asserted by the same gentleman that suppliers and consignors of goods in the interior and abroad lost all their former zest and confidence in despatching shipments to this distributing centre, and time and again deemed it expedient to divert their consignments to other more advantageous points.

It is impossible, of course, to expect a foreigner, and especially an outsider from the angle of Chinese trade, to be completely au fait with all the inner workings of Chinese commerce, let alone to grasp all the subtleties and niceties by which it is surrounded. But when Mr. Ho Lu suggests that the withdrawal by the native banks of the huge loans above-mentioned caused all the principal trades of the Colony to "be left in a rut," is it not possible that he is over-estimating the part played by the over-cautious foreign banks? Could he have placed himself in the position of the foreign banks, would he have taken any other course, having regard to all the circumstances—and not merely an isolated case—of the strike and the boycott? Surely Mr. Ho Lu is too shrewd to advocate a continuance of any policy that permitted trade to be bolstered by men of straw or allowed indeterminate credits to be extended on greatly over-valued shares and properties? Even allowing for the fact that the foreigner must have cognisance of Chinese methods of commerce, and that Hong Kong cannot afford to lose any of its volume of trade, surely the period of the strike and the boycott was most timely to endeavour

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SEQUEL TO HAWKERS' CASE.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Major C. Willson heard evidence in a case which was stated to have been a sequel to the recent arrest of four Chinese constables of the Hawkers' Department on charges of conspiring to make exactions on hawkers, receiving bribes, and misconduct as policemen.

The accused in the case yesterday was another Chinese constable named Tang Wai-chau who was charged with misconduct and with assaulting a hawker to prevent him from giving evidence as a witness in the "squeeze" case.

The complainant, Man Cheung, admitted in the witness box that he had been an unlicensed hawker for the past eight years, and was one of those who had paid "squeeze" to the accused constables. On September 20, the witness learned that the accused intended to assault him, and communicated his fears to Inspector Lane. As the witness lived in the Western district, he was referred to Inspector Grant in charge of No. 7 Police Station. Before Inspector Grant could be interviewed he was assaulted by the accused at Cheung Fun Lane.

"You Are Saucy?"

When the accused accosted the witness he said: I have sent many persons to warn you not to give evidence against the constables who received bribes. Why have you done so?

When the witness replied that that was none of the accused's business, the latter remarked: "You are saucy. I shall strike you." With that, the accused struck the witness several blows. The witness blew a police whistle, but no policeman came to his aid. At length he succeeded in running away from the accused and immediately went to No. 7 Police Station where he reported the assault on him. He then went out with Inspector Grant and after a search found the accused.

The Defence.

The defence put up by Mr. D. McCallum was that the witness was endeavouring to obtain the refund of \$5 which he had previously paid to a woman named Ah Yee to save a hawker from arrest, and during an altercation between the witness and the woman, the accused intervened and attempted to arrest the witness.

This the witness denied, saying that if the accused had intended to arrest him there was no need to assault him.

The case was adjourned.

GETS OFF.

CHINESE CONSTABLE IN
COURT.

LACK OF EVIDENCE.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, the case was concluded in which a Chinese constable was charged with being the associate of thieves, and with sharing in the proceeds of robberies.

The accused was charged on information given by a self-confessed pickpocket, who alleged that after he had been caught by the accused, he was compelled to give the latter a percentage of his weekly "takings." This continued for a long period, until eventually he (the witness) was arrested by another constable and was whipped by order of the Court. After that he made up his mind to give up his mode of living and turn a new leaf, but the accused thought otherwise and continued to pester him, and eventually he decided to give information to the proper authorities.

At previous hearings, several members of the pickpocket's gang gave evidence about seeing the accused speaking to the principal witness in various parts of the Central district.

When the case again came on yesterday, Mr. W. B. Sparrow, A.S.P., admitted to his Worship that the accused was not put up for identification, because it was thought that formally was not necessary, the accused being well-known as a member of the Police Force to the pickpockets who had given evidence in the case.

No Parade.

Mr. Lindsell held that a formal identification parade should have been held, and failure to do so had deprived the prosecution of vitally important corroborative evidence.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ who appeared for the defence submitted that the evidence as presented was not corroborated on certain points, and on others the evidence was insufficient to warrant a conviction. His Worship expressed his agreement with Counsel's views, and said that it was unsafe to convict on the evidence as a whole, even though he (Mr. Lindsell) believed it to be highly probable that the accused was guilty of the offence. The accused's discharge was ordered.

SUIT AGAINST S.M.C.

Saturday's "Shanghai Times" states: The Court of Consuls, composed of Mr. E. S. Cunningham, Mr. N. Aall and Sir Sydney Barton, C.M.G., Consul-General for U.S.A., Norway and Great Britain respectively, will on Tuesday afternoon next at the United States Court for China hear a case brought by the China Publishing Company, Incorporated, against the Shanghai Municipal Council for alleged "wrongful and unlawful discontinuance of the supply of electric current for the lighting of plaintiff's electric lights and fans without any previous notice to the plaintiff." The amount of damages asked is \$50,000, Mexican currency.

DRESSMAKER'S BAR.

A wholesale dressmaking home in Paris has added a refreshment bar and buffet to its establishment. Fatigued buyers may nourish and sustain themselves without quitting the premises and possibly falling into the hands of competitors.

Not only soft drinks but cocktails and "hard liquor" are available. A small grill room is run with the bar. American buyers are particularly enthusiastic in their approval of the innovation.

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

To-day's fairy story: The Police have issued a search warrant for the Spey Royal Cup.

Sandy Junior: Ye promised to gie me saxpence if I was top boy at school. I've been top boy for two weeks running.

Sandy Senior (reluctantly): Well here's a shilling, but ye must give up studying so hard—it's not good for ye.

A Scotsman had been promised a present of a new hat. Before it was bought the donor called and asked, "Would you rather have a felt or a straw hat, McPherson?" "Weel," said the latter, "I think I'll take a straw one. Maybe it will be a mouthful for the cow when I'm done with it."

Wife (reading): They say very shortly all work will be done by simply touching a button. The Perfect Brute: I can't imagine you touching a button dear.

A black boy was walking along a lonely road at night, when a ghost suddenly appeared beside him. The boy walked fast, but the ghost kept up with him. Then he ran, but he could not leave the apparition behind. Finally the boy fell from exhaustion.

"We have had quite a run," the ghost said.

"Yes," gasped the boy, "an' we'll have another as soon as I get ma brel."

Mary: Mother, do Ford cars grow on trees?

Mother: No, why dear?

Mary: Well, I read that they're going to start a plant in Australia.

Dora: Why is it that you have broken off your engagement, Thora?

Thora: Oh, my dear! He told me he was connected with the movies, and the very next day, I saw him driving a furniture van.

Jones: Heaven bless him, he showed confidence in me, when the clouds were dark and threatening. Brown: In what way?

Jones: He lent me an umbrella.

Golfer: I suppose you've seen worse players than I am? (Silence). "I say, I suppose you've seen worse players than I am?"

Caddy: I heard you, sir, but I'm just thinking.

The ambitious youth came to Sydney from the country in order to join the police. He passed the medical examination and was then interviewed.

"Well, young man," said the officer, "You look a promising sort of fellow. You have a good general knowledge I hope."

"Yes, sir."

"Can you tell me, then, how many miles it is from Sydney to Goulburn?"

The ambitious youth became alarmed. "Look here, sir," he blurted out, "if you're going to put me on that beat, I'd rather help father with the cows."

The following conversation ensued between two Lancashire men: "Well, Bill, what do you think about our new home?"

"Oh! not so bad," remarked Bill. "You've said that to everything; don't take it."

"It's all right, but why 'The Cloisters'?"

"Just because it's 'Cloister' station and 'Cloister' pictures."

Salesman (showing customer cycling stockings): Surprising value, sir. Worth double the money. Latest pattern, fast colours, holeproof, won't shrink, and it's a good yarn.

Customer: Yes, and very well told.

Teacher: Seven times eight?

Boy: Fifty-six.

Teacher: Pretty good!

Boy: Er—that's perfect.

Emma (at the Society wedding sentimentally): Ah, well, it only happens once in a girl's life. Her Mother: "Don't be silly—these folks is different."

"I want to get this cheque cashed," said the young wife to the paying teller at the bank.

"Yes, madam; you must endorse it, though."

"Why, my husband sent it to me. He is away on business."

"Yes, madam, but just endorse it. Sign it on the back please, and your husband will know we paid it to you."

She went back to the desk, and in a couple of minutes came back with the cheque endorsed: "Your loving wife, Edith."

"When I was in camp," said the young soldier, "the temperature was zero on three successive nights."

"That's nothing," remarked an old hand. "That's nothing!"

"What's nothing?" demanded the youngster indignantly.

"Zero," murmured the other, as he made for the door.

Timorous Lady: "Oh, do offry. Alf—we'll get it by a goldball!"

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CHINA NEWS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Rumours are current in Shanghai and elsewhere of troop movements by one faction to overcome the other.

Meanwhile General Tang Seng-chi and his supporters continue to perfect their own organisation at Wu-Han. One report says that he is to have his own Navy while another hints at the possibility of his alliance with General Yen Hui-shan of Shansi who is now engaged in war with Peking.

"Peacemaker" Resigns.

Nanking, Yesterday. General Chu Pei-teh (commanding the 6th Nationalist Army, who opposed Chiang Kai-shek and sided with Wu-Han) has resigned the chairmanship of the provincial government of Kiangsi. "Hong Kong Evening Post."

[Note: It was reported this week that General Chu Pei-teh was to be the peacemaker between Nanking and Wu-Han.]

Shanghai, Yesterday. The Wu-Han branch of the Political Council proposes to establish its own Ministry of Communications for the provinces of Hunan, Hupeh and Anhui. "Hong Kong Evening Post."

THREE DEMANDS.

Tang Seng-chi as Miniature Napoleon.

Shanghai, October 1.

Confirmation "strong as holy writ" reaches us as to the prospective transference of the Nanking Government to Shanghai. This course may be made imperative because of the political as well as the military situation which has developed during the past week.

It will be remembered that, on Sept. 29, we quoted, on most reliable authority, that General Tang Seng-chi had delivered "an impossible ultimatum" to the Government at Nanking, but oppressive silence has enshrouded the whole situation at Nanking ever since.

"Strong Man's" Demands.

It were well to set out the main features of this impossible ultimatum:—

- 1.—The elimination of certain Generals inimical to his (Tang Seng-chi's) interests. Some people insist that the references are made to General Li Tsung-jen, General Pei Chung-hsi (Commandant of Shanghai) and one other.
- 2.—The second clause insists that a sum of \$50,000,000 should be available immediately for the use of the cause, and
- 3.—He (Tang Seng-chi) is to be appointed Generalissimo of the Nationalist army.

Canton Secession.

It is evident that General Tang Seng-chi, who is not regarded by his friends as a modest man, considers himself as the legitimate successor of the miniature Napoleon, Chiang Kai-shek.

Since the secession of the Canton coterie, the situation at Nanking has certainly become so complex that many of the higher officials must be mystified as to what the future holds for the Government or the party. "Shanghai Mercury."

RUSH OF AIR TRAFFIC.

CAUSED BY SCHOOL VACATIONS.

More than 2,000 aeroplanes started from or landed at the Tempelhof flying field in June, says a Berlin report. They carried 5,354 passengers and more than 87 tons of baggage and freight, besides tons of newspapers. More than 45,000 persons visited the airport during the month.

School vacations began July 1. On that day and the two following almost every plane in the Luft-Hansa's air fleet was sold out. Traffic was especially heavy on the lines to the east coast and the spa. This service has been extended so that a great number of resorts on the North Sea and on the Baltic can now be reached direct by air—also many resorts in the Riesengebirge, the Harz, Thuringia and in the Black Forest.

ALCOHOL STOLEN.

Martinez, Cal., Sept. 19. The disappearance of 16,468 gallons of alcohol from a warehouse at San Pablo Point, owned by the Philippine Refining Corporation was disclosed here to-day with the filing of a suit for \$8,235 against the corporation. The action was brought by Mrs. Leonora Mason, one of the owners of the Mason Distilling Company of Sausalito, which stored the alcohol in the warehouse. The alcohol was misused about a month ago. Associated Press.

WOOD FAILED.

TURNING POINT IN AMERICAN POLICY.

Manchester, Sept. 5.

"The death of General Leonard Wood, American Governor General of the Philippines, may prove to be a turning-point in the troubled road trodden by the Filipinos for nearly a generation," the "Manchester Guardian Weekly," comments editorially.

"There have been two main lines of American policy," continues the editorial. "The Republicans have favoured the development of the island's natural resources under the sovereignty of a strong American Executive; the Democrats preferred, and did much, to transfer the sovereignty to a native Legislature. President Wilson pressed on the 'Filipinisation' of the islands. A Republican Administration, came in, and General Leonard Wood was sent out to reverse the Democratic policy. He governed for some years in an atmosphere of protest ending in deadlock. The final step was taken last February when the islands were placed by General Wood under direct military control. His death may mark the end of the policy which failed with him."—United Press.

Wood's Successor.

Washington, Sept. 22.

President Coolidge has sent a letter to Resident Commissioner Pedro Guevara notifying him of the President's willingness to confer with Filipino leaders, it was learned to-day.

In the course of his letter, the President said: "I am to confer with several friends of the Filipino people during the latter part of this month concerning the appointment of a successor to General Wood as Governor-General of the Philippines."

"It may be that after such a conference I shall be able to name a successor to General Wood right away."

In view of the fact that the President now intends to hold his conference during the latter portion of the current month, it appears uncertain as to whether Commissioner Guevara's plan to have Senate President Quezon and Senator Osmena come to Washington to assist in the conference can materialise.—United Press.

KISSED A PUPIL.

DOUBT IF IT WAS WORTH 25 PESOS.

Kissing constitutes a mere slight offence against morality and in legal parlance a misdemeanour against the person. So ruled Judge Mapa in Manila when he sentenced Angel Dimalanta, principal teacher of the Rizal Elementary School, to pay P25 fine for having kissed a girl pupil against the stubborn resistance of the latter. Mr. Dimalanta will be reprimanded also. The criminal complaint against the offending teacher charged him with a crime involving a prison penalty in case of conviction. The findings of the court found him guilty simply of having kissed Pacita Allerno, 13, against her consent. The incident took place on February 26 in the Rizal Elementary School. The court was of the opinion that he was only guilty of a misdemeanour against person punishable by Article 590 of the Penal Code by a fine from P5 to P25 and reprimand.

DEAD FATHER'S PENSION.

DRAWN BY SON FOR 20 YEARS.

Jean Baptiste Tourenne, 60 years old, has for 20 years been drawing the pension of his dead father in Paris.

When Government railway officials learned that one of their retired employees, pensioned 35 years ago, would celebrate his hundredth birthday this year, they began to arrange a public ceremony in his honour. In the course of arrangements officials found that Tourenne had collected his father's pension for so long that a new generation of cashiers took it for granted the man they paid was the pensioner himself. Tourenne, therefore, kept on getting paid and lived without working. A judge sentenced him to a year in jail.

"WOLF" THEIR FOOD.

America is becoming a one-armed lunch room, a place where people "wolf" their food and give little thought to the serious business of eating.

So says George Rector, once the proprietor of one of New York's most famous restaurants of yesterday. After making what he called a "cool" tour through the capitals of Europe, he declares himself sure that never that he will not open another restaurant in unappreciative America. Rector says that prohibition has made impossible the preparation of piquant and tasty sauces by its banning of sherry and port.

French cooking technique, he believes, is supplanting other methods all over Europe. He admitted interviewing all the famous chefs of France and obtaining their choice recipes.

MOVING A BUILDING.

REMARKABLE FEAT IN NEW YORK.

The work of moving an eight-storey building a distance of about 500 ft. has been accomplished in Albany, the capital city of the State of New York. The Government having acquired, by Act of the Legislature, a site for a State office building, facing Swan, Washington and State streets, close to the Capitol building, the ground had to be cleared of existing buildings. These were mostly of old type, except the eight-storey apartment building known as the Fort Frederick Building. This was only built about ten years ago and was a modern structure in every sense. After consultation with engineers, private parties secured the building and a contract to move it to a site adjoining State and Swan streets was let to Messrs. John Eichleay, Jr., and Company, of Pittsburgh, Pa.

The building has, as stated, eight storeys. It is 45 ft. by 85 ft. in plan, constructed of steel frame, with walls of brick, granite and terra cotta. The interior is supported on 25 columns of 10-in. H-section. The first job was to lay bare these columns in the basement about 3 ft. below the underside of the main floor. Pieces of 24-in. steel joists 2 ft. long were then riveted by the webs to the flanges of the columns, and to the flanges of these 2-ft. lengths were bolted, at right angles, other 6-ft. lengths of 24-in. steel joists. To the latter again were bolted, also at right angles, longitudinal rungs of 165 lb. rolled-steel sections. Light joists were inserted under the brickwork of the walls. There were eight lines of running beams placed longitudinally under the building. They were braced together transversely, by deep struts of joist section and tie rods, to secure as great rigidity as possible. Under the running beams, altogether, a thousand 20-ton screw jacks were arranged at 9-in. centres. These were set on cribbing consisting of 8 in. by 8 in. timbers and 6 in. by 8 in. cribbing blocks arranged on a 3-in. plank floor.

The move accomplished consisted of 370 ft. in one direction, followed by 60 ft. sideways. As there were several runs of quicksand to be traversed, every precaution was necessary. A careful soil test was made, and the cribbing over which the building had to be taken was prepared by being levelled up on a bed of sand, in order to secure uniform bracing. Three-inch plank was laid on the sand, and on this 12 in. by 12 in. timbers were placed transversely at 4 ft. centres. On the top of this, was another lot of 12 in. by 12 in. timbers at right angles, again at 4 ft. centres. This carried the 6 in. by 8 in. cribbing and the 90 lb. rails. The whole formed a mat which distributed the 4,000 ton load on an area 55 ft. by 90 ft., so that there was less than 1 ton per square foot on the ground throughout the work.

On arrival at its new site the building was lowered 4 ft. 6 in. This was accomplished by transferring the load again from the rollers to jacks, 40 men each working 25 jacks and giving them a quarter turn according to signal.

The building was lowered out on to a new foundation prepared in advance, and consisting of a reinforced-concrete mat 2 ft. 3 in. thick.—"Engineering."

DIAMOND IDENTIFIED.

VIEWS OF A FRENCH PROFESSOR.

Diamonds have an individual appearance, by which one may be distinguished from another, says a French scientist, M. Mallaval. Mallaval says he has perfected a process in his laboratory at Lyons whereby he can throw an enlarged picture of a diamond on a screen and reveal its characteristics.

Violet rays, he says, bring out different colourings and different arrangements of colours in various stones. Experts say this method of identifying diamonds is important in the trade. It is expected to serve in police work also.

When famous stones, such as the "Rose Diamond," stolen from the Chantilly chateau last year, come into question, some experts can be found to identify or describe it, because there are few or none like it, but there has been no system of positive identification.

LINDENBERG LANDING.

RIVALRY BETWEEN FRENCH TOWNS.

Dugny, claiming the honour of receiving Lindbergh on its soil, protests against the world-wide glory going to Le Bourget, a neighbouring community.

Dugny, maps show, really has within its legal limits the ground where the man from the west came down. Le Bourget, however, has within its jurisdiction part of the airfield at the southern end where the military hangars are. It was because this army field was the beginning of the airport, that the name Le Bourget was given the entire aerodrome, nearly a mile long. Mayor Boisseau of the little town of Dugny has taken up with the Paris newspapers his community's claim to at least some of the glory.

AT THE QUEEN'S.

GLORIA SWANSON AND A YOGI.

PRETTY COLOUR FILM.

Gloria Swanson stars at the Queen's Theatre in a film obviously put together for the glorification of Gloria Swanson. It is called "The Love of Sunya," and is a fantastic story, well told. A young Yogi sets out to repair a great sin he had committed in a previous incarnation. Finding the people he had wronged in the form of a pair of lovers, played by Gloria Swanson and John Boles, he directs the girl, beset with admirers, into the right path, showing her by means of a crystal what would happen to her if she was to accept, instead of love, either ambition or wealth. These scenes are particularly pretty and in some of them we see Gloria as an operatic star, gorgeously arrayed and successful. However, the story has an ending different from what one would suppose, and is well worth a visit. It will be on view until the end of the week.

"The Palace of Kings," a prizma colour film, is wonderfully pretty, and there is also a new Gaumont graphic reel in the programme.

"The Splendid Crime."

Bebe Daniels as a quaint, self-reliant girl who decides to give up the life of a crook, not because she wants to be good, but because "housebreaking is too hard for a lady," has a role after her own heart in "The Splendid Crime," the chief picture in the new programme beginning at the World Theatre to-day.

The producer, William de Mille, wrote the story himself, and he unfolds it with action from the first scene to the climax. The home life of the girl crook is depicted in a droll way, and there are some very exciting moments, notably when she breaks into the home of the society spendthrift for whom she commits "the splendid crime."

Neil Hamilton in the supporting cast makes an excellent leading man as the millionaire. Ann Cornwall is charming as his flapper sister, Anthony Jowett, the handsome young British actor who played in "The Coast of Folly," also gives a good account of himself.

"They Like 'Em Rough."

"I'll go out and marry the first man I meet," said the pretty young minx played by Viola Dana in "They Like 'Em Rough," the principal picture in the new continuous programme at the Star Theatre to-day. Having breathed this defiance to the aunt and uncle who had planned to marry her off to an eligible young man of their own choice, she marched out of the house, and meeting a big, rough-bearded lumber man, promptly got married, paying him \$100 for his services. However, the lumberman was not content to leave it at that. He had married the lady and so he carried her off, willy-nilly, to his camp in the hills. The outcome is an amusing cave-man comedy, with a big thrill in the shape of fierce fight between two strong men. "They Like 'Em Rough" will be screened at the Star Theatre until Saturday.

"BRIEF" LANGUAGE.

BARRISTERS SAY THEY DIDN'T MEAN IT.

"Easy please, we didn't mean it." That apparently is the only explanation of Senator Sumulong, Senator Tirona, Messrs. Lavides, Hilado, Faustino, Leviste, Escalin and Blanco, all attorneys, could give in their memorandum filed with the Manila supreme court in response to a resolution approved and issued by the high tribunal some time ago, ordering them to show cause why disciplinary action should not be taken against them for "using such scandalous and contemptuous language in their brief," against Judge Cayo Alzona and Judge Conrado Carballo, of the court of first instance of Laguna, and Luis P. Torres, secretary of justice, in connection with the contested election case of the provincial governor there.

The barristers assured the high tribunal that they did not mean to offend the court or show lack of respect towards it. They requested the supreme court to strike from the court record the alleged "scandalous and contemptuous language."—"Manila Bulletin."

OLDEST GRAPE-VINE.

Frau Katharina Ott of Ober-lustadt, near Speyer, can boast of owning the oldest grape-vine in the world. Experts including Prof. M. Dade of Berlin, whose word is usually considered final on questions of this kind, believe that the vine was planted about 1500.

The stem of the grape-vine has a circumference of 47 inches. Its roots reach down 250 feet. Every year it bears luscious grapes.

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Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

October 6—Queen's Theatre; "The Love of Sunya."

October 6—World Theatre; "The Splendid Crime."

October 6—Star Theatre, Kowloon; "They Like 'Em Rough."

October 6—Informal dance at the "Cheer O," 7 p.m.

October 7—Concert at the "Cheer O," 7 p.m.

October 13—First of a series of eleven concerts for the winter season, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m., starting with "Gilbert and Sullivan."

October 17—Mr. R. Salisbury's "Quainta" will open at the City Hall, with the new musical comedy, "The Blue Train."

October 21—Nelson Day. Navy League hold Annual Concert (through courtesy of H.K. Amusements, Ltd., Queen's Theatre), 9.30 p.m.

Sports.

October 6—Steele & Coulson's Billiard League: Police v. R. A.; Warders v. Queen's; Revenue v. D.R.C.; Garrison Sgt. Mess v. Northants; St. Patrick's Club v. R.E. & R. Sigs.

October 7—Local Hockey: H.K.I.C. v. Club de Recreio, King's Park, 5.15 p.m.

October 10—V.R.C. 320 yds. Mok Challenge Cup, competition, 5 p.m.

October 8-10—Hong Kong Jockey Club's sixth extra race meeting at Happy Valley, Race Course.

October 17—V.R.C. Chinese Harbour Race, 5-6 p.m.

October 18—V.R.C. Ladies' Harbour Race, 5-6 p.m.

October 19—V.R.C. open Harbour Race, 5-6 p.m.

Lammerts' Auctions.

October 7—At Sales Room, Duddell Street, a quantity of electrical and miscellaneous goods, 11 a.m.

October 8—At Sales Room, Duddell Street, various sizes of steel, brass pipes and condenser tubes, 11 a.m.

October 11—At Sales Room, Duddell Street, postage stamps, 5.15 p.m.

Meetings.

October 13—Annual meeting of the Hong Kong Cricket Club, at the Pavilion, 5.30 p.m.

October 22—Sixth annual meeting of the Hong Kong & Canton Ice Manufacturing Co., Ltd., 2 Lower Albert Road, noon.

October 22—Meeting of the New Territories Agricultural Show Committee, at Sheung Shui, 2.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

October 8-9—Charity Bazaar of the Chinese Sisters of the Precious Blood, at Catholic Young Men's Club, 16 Caine Road.

October 10—Bank Holiday.

October 31—French Convent's annual sale of work, 10 a.m.

October 31—H.K.V.D.C. Halloween dinner.

November 11-12—Garden Fair organised by St. Peter's Young Men's Club.

October 16—Closing of bathing beaches at North Pt. and Tai Wan Bay.

October 24—Kennedy Town bathing beach will be closed on this date.

NEW ROADS.

AMBITIOUS SCHEME FOR MINDANAO.

Plans have been formulated by the engineers of the bureau of public works, under the supervision of Marcial Kasiling, assistant director of the bureau, for the construction of an enormous network of roads intended to cover the entire island of Mindanao. This new development plan for the southern island is the first attempt to set a definite detailed objective in road construction in Mindanao.

The proposed road building programme drawn up by the public works officials will entail an expenditure of approximately P80,000,000, it has been estimated. This amount does not include the cost of constructing bridges and culverts which are necessary components to the building of highways. Expenditures for survey work, testing, as well as the cost of trail construction are likewise excluded from the P80,000,000 estimate.

The plan under consideration provides for the construction of approximately 6,200 kilometres of first class roads. The most important item being considered in the new development plan, concerns the construction of trunk lines and main provincial connections.

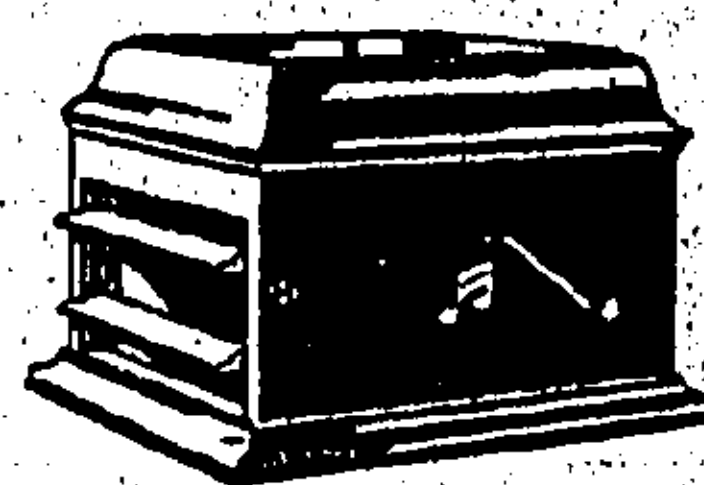
The proposal has already been submitted to Director Williams for consideration. As soon as the public works chief approves the plan it will be transmitted to Acting Governor General Gilmore, it was learned by a Manila paper.

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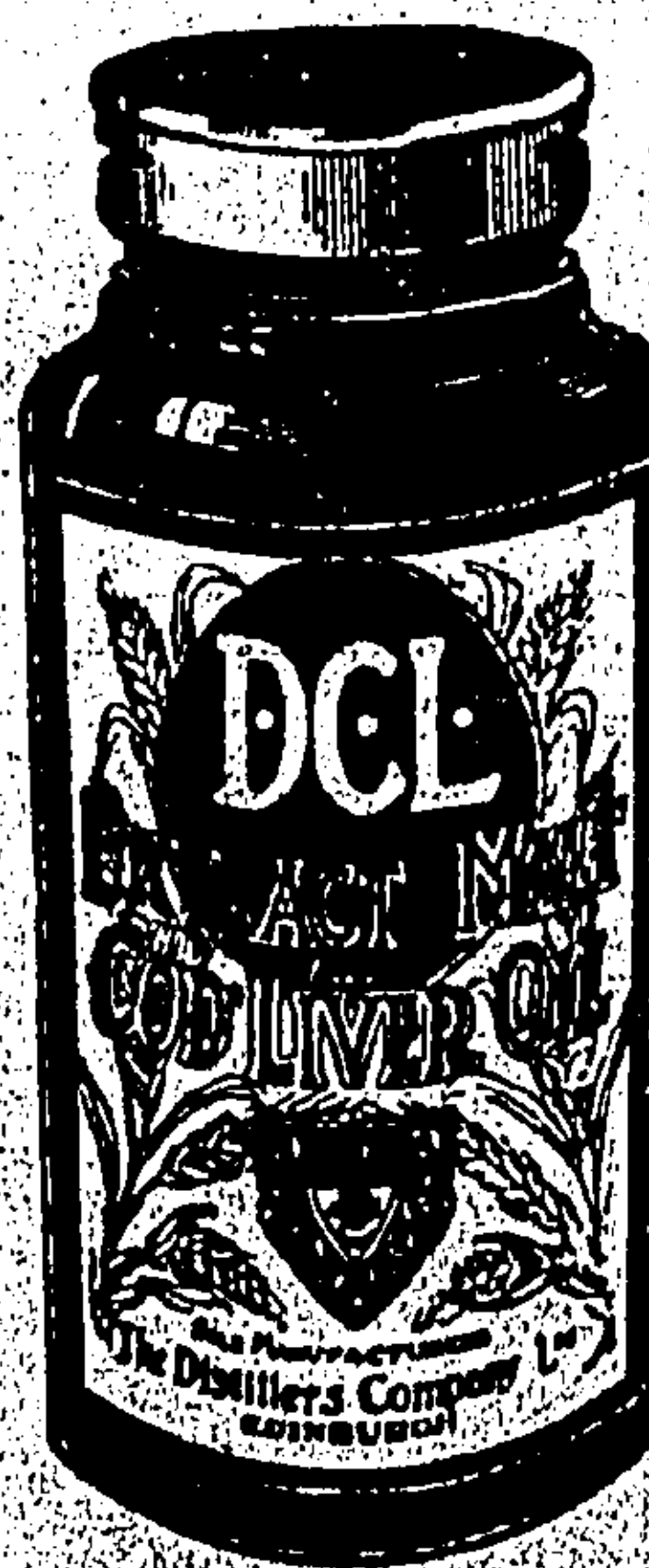
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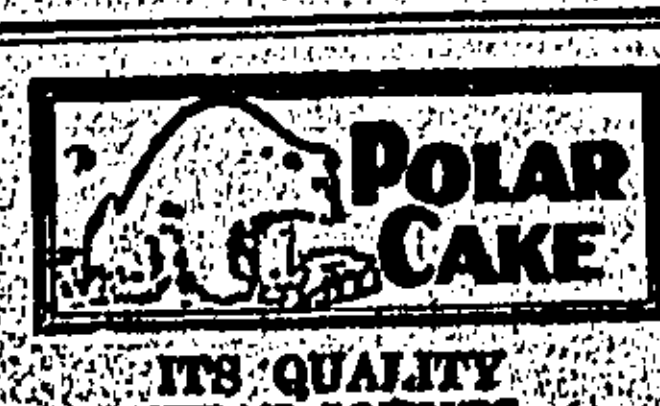
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Leicester tramwaymen who fought in the war are indignant at the fact that the Tramways Committee have purchased flasks for their use which bear the stamp "Made in Germany."

The Short Singapore, one of the latest British all-metal flying boats delivered to the British Air Ministry, has made the 720 miles journey to Oslo from England in one day of six hours' flying.

An Aldershot Command order states that severe disciplinary action will be taken against individuals responsible for live or blank ammunition being found in packages supposed to contain empty cases only.

Messrs. Lammert Bros. are auctioneering at their sales room in Duddell Street to-morrow cases of cottons, cotton goods, flour, soaps, electrical goods and some black venetians. On Saturday about 10,000 lbs. steel of various sizes and piping will be put up.

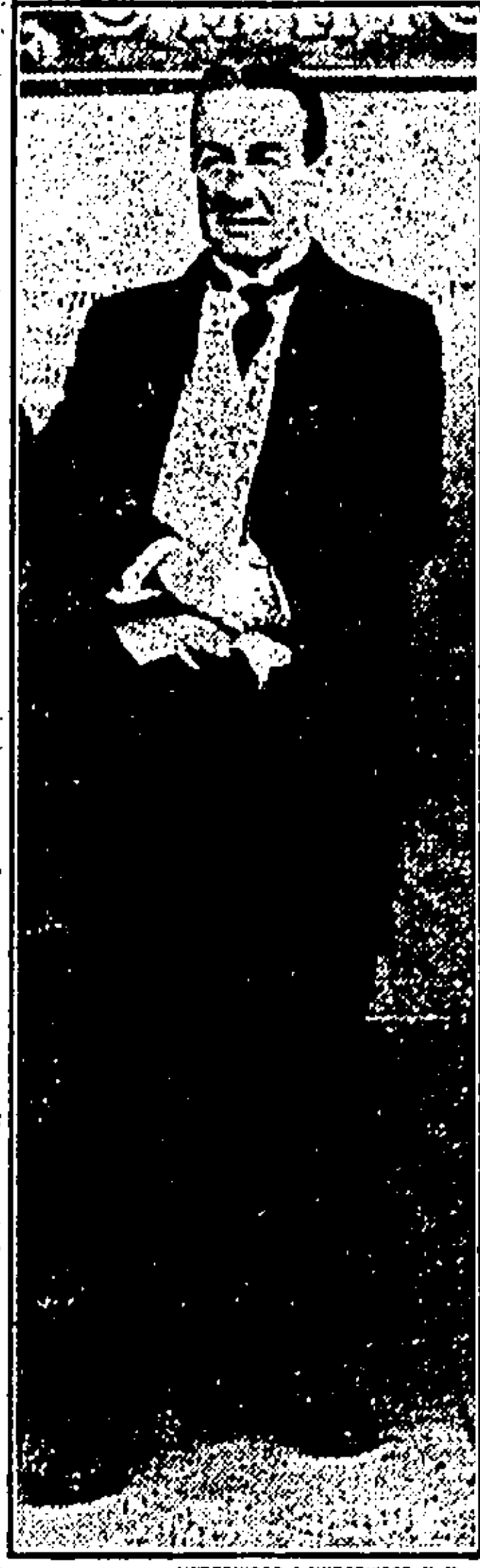
Mrs. W. T. Southern has consented to open the annual sale of work at the French Convent on Thursday, October 13 at 10 a.m. There are large quantities of linen and woollen articles made by orphan and blind girls. These articles are cheap, of good quality, and are useful for Xmas presents. The sale will be continued for several days.

In connection with the \$8,700 cheque fraud which was reported yesterday to have been pulled off by a Chinese on a local foreign bank, it is now learned that the Chinese had been an employee of the bank for the past six years or so. He worked in the savings department and recently opened a personal account by depositing \$100. By the simple trick of adding the figure 9 in front of the amount deposited, the man brought the amount to his credit to \$9,100. A few days ago he drew \$8,700 of the money which he did not have, and has since disappeared.

M. Dmitry Dimoff, the Russian balalaika player who visited Hong Kong last year with the Globe Trotters, has returned to the Colony in the course of an individual tour of the Far East and will appear at all performances in the Queen's Theatre on Sunday and Monday. The balalaika is a primitive instrument of three strings only, two of the same note, yet it is capable, in the hands of a master like M. Dimoff, of producing music of a high order. During his previous visit to Hong Kong M. Dimoff won high praise for his skill, and there is no doubt that his return will be welcomed by a large number of music-lovers.

Marshal Sun Chuan-fang arrived at Tientsin from Tientsin last week and was welcomed at the railway station by Tapan Chang Chung-chiang.

Charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with returning from banishment after being sent away from the Colony for a period of five years, a Chinese who described himself as a seaman was sentenced to ten months' hard labour.



Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Premier of Great Britain.

Travelling on a bicycle at great speed, a Chinese youth was unable to pull up when a small boy crossed his path in Berkeley Street, Kowloon. He collided with the lad who was lucky to receive but slight injuries. The sequel was heard in Mr. W. Schofield's Court at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when the cyclist was fined \$10 for reckless riding.

With an ordinary trout fly Evan Macdonald, boatman in the Dochfour Pools, in the River Ness, near Inverness, landed a 10½ lb. sea trout, said to be the heaviest ever caught in the river.

A Musical will be held at the Helena May Institute on Thursday, October 13 at 5.30 p.m. Selections from Gilbert & Sullivan will be given. Tickets to be booked at the Secretary's office. Teas may be had from 4 p.m. onwards.—Advt.

A small chimney fire broke out at No. 70, Shanghai Street Yaumati, at 8 o'clock last night. The flames were extinguished by the fire brigade who arrived a few minutes after the alarm was given. No damage was caused by the outbreak.

The effect of military bands upon Chinese funeral processions was noticed in the Hongkew district, when hearers thought at first that soldiers were marching. Certain vagaries of time, however, were evident as the brass band endeavoured to pacify the spirits of the departed with a lively tune often played on route marches by the U.S. Marines. Eight very dirty and much decorated small boys, bearing the usual banners, made at the same time a brave effort to keep step in the approved military manner.

Owing to the steamer grounded at Tai Shek bar, outside Canton, the "Leungshan" did not arrive from Canton yesterday until 11.45 p.m. instead of the scheduled hour of 10 p.m. It was anticipated before the steamer left Canton that there would be difficulty experienced with the tide and departure from Canton was therefore brought forward an hour. Other steamers passed the bar without difficulty. The "Leungshan" which was on the bar for two hours, experienced no difficulty in passing Boco Tientsin forts although it is stated that soldiers were actually seen on shore preparing to shoot.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday, a Chinese was charged with failing to pay duty on 72 gallons of Chinese wine. The wine which was contained in 20 jars, was seized on board a junk in the harbour which was boarded by Mr. W. J. Carrie of the Import and Export office as the result of information received. The jars all bore labels indicating that duty had been paid. When these were examined closely, it was found that while they were genuine labels, they were old ones which had previously been used on other wine jars. The numbers had been scratched off the labels. The case was adjourned until next Monday.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. G. A. Thrupp, Inspector of Mines, F.M.S., left for Home by the "Devanha" on medical grounds.

H.B. the Governor, Sir Hugh Clifford, has consented to become patron of the Malay Football Association.

Dr. (Mrs.) Bentinck, Lady Medical Officer, Kuala Pilah, is to take charge of the Infant Welfare Centre, Kuala Lumpur.

The death is announced from Tokyo of Mr. Nakanishi, a former vice-President of the South Manchurian Railway Co.

H.E. Major General C. C. Van Straubenzee, C.B., C.M.G., who has been staying with Lt. Colonel and Mrs. Meredith for the Malaya Command Rifle Meeting, has returned to Singapore.

The Rev. and Mrs. Graham White, of Ipoh, leave for Sumatra for a short spell of work in that part of the Diocese, followed by a brief holiday there. They will be returning to Ipoh on October 22.

Mr. H. Weisberg, who is at present acting as District Officer, Larut and Matang, will, it is said, shortly be transferred to Kuala Lumpur, as Assistant Federal Treasurer, says the "Times of Malaya."

During the stay at Penang of H.M.S. "Hornet" the Hon. Mr. Ralph Scott, Resident Councillor, took the opportunity to make an ascent in one of the seaplanes, and spent more than an hour in the air.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Grey have returned to Shanghai, after six months home leave spent at Pasadena, California. Mr. Grey recently concluded his twentieth year of service with the Standard Oil Company in China.

Consequent upon the appointment of the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern as acting Governor, Mr. Edwin Richard Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E., is to act as Colonial Secretary; Mr. Roland Arthur Charles North, to act as Secretary for Chinese Affairs; Mr. Bernard Roy Forster to be H.E.'s Private Secretary; Captain Allen James Levinge Whyte, Royal Engineers, to be H.E.'s Aide-de-Camp; Captain Patrick Perfect, R.O.S.B., and Captain Hugh Blackwell Layard, Dowieggin, H.K.V.D.C., to be Honorary Aides-de-Camp.

Inspector D. Livingstone, of the F.M.S. Police, is shortly retiring from the service.

Mr. S. J. J. Taylor, O.C.P.D., Ipoh, has left Batu Gajah Hospital and is now on convalescence leave.



Lady May Cambridge, only daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Athlone and a niece of King George and Queen Mary, whom it is rumoured, will be asked by King Boris, of Bulgaria, to become his Queen and share his shaking throne. Lady Cambridge is the Bulgarian King's first choice, there being a Princess as second in case Lady May refuses.

The girls of the Telephone Exchange in Kuala Lumpur will be giving a farewell dinner at the Coliseum Cafe on October 15 to their Senior Supervisor, Mrs. Carol, who is resigning from the department after 16 years' service.

Mr. O. Watson, Assistant Superintendent of Surveys, North Kedah, is going to Australia on leave. By his departure Kedah loses an enthusiastic cricketer, footballer, golfer, tennis player, and rider. Mr. W. H. Stubington will relieve Mr. Watson at Alor Star.

The Rev. Philip Browning, of Taiping, is laid up with an attack of dengue fever.

Dr. V. Supramaniam, Deputy Medical Officer, Kajang, will shortly be leaving for Ceylon on long leave.

The week's programme of entertainment by the Y.M.C.A. for the Services includes an informal dance at the "Cheer O" at 7 p.m. to-day and a concert at the "Cheer O" to-morrow, at 7 p.m.

I hear (says the London correspondent of the "Free Press") that Mr. H. S. Banner, the publicity agent for the Malay States Agency, has a big programme ahead for lectures on Malaya at the Public Schools; they will, of course, begin directly after the holidays end. In the first batch are Eton, Aldenham, Dover, Brighton, Cranbrook, and Highgate.

Capt. and Mrs. McCallum and Messrs. N. G. Lovell and F. Rumsey-Williams, who are motoring from Peking to London, arrived in Kuala Lumpur and remained for a short while before leaving for Port Swettenham. They will sail shortly for Burma and India and hope to reach England in January, their start from Peking having been made in May. All the party were much impressed by the beauty of Malaya, the cleanliness of our towns, and the evidences of the country's prosperity. They are using two cars, a six and a two-seater, both Buick "Master Sixes," and have, so far, had a wonderfully interesting and enjoyable trip.—M.M.

The death took place in England recently, at the age of 72, of Mr. William Henry Whiting, who, from 1895 to 1897, was Chief Constructor of the Royal Naval Dockyard at Hong Kong. Mr. Whiting had held several important naval appointments ashore and after leaving Hong Kong he was made Chief Constructor and Assistant Director of Naval Construction at the Admiralty—a post which he held until 1912. From 1912 to 1917 he was Superintendent of Construction Accounts and Contract Works. Mr. Whiting also served on Admiralty Committees on submerged torpedo discharge and floating docks. He was a member of the Institute of Civil Engineers and Vice-President of the Institute of Naval Architects.

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A WEEK'S PAPERS IN ONE.

An important change has come over the Chinese situation during the past week. In the North of the country a new war has broken out, and for the time being Yangtze happenings are eclipsed. Chang Tso-lin has become opposed to Yen Hsi-san, the warlord of Shansi, and hostilities have started, first blood going to the Shansi-ites, who have defeated the Fengtien troops at Kalgan. This looks like developing into a long-drawn-out affair, though whether the troops will fight throughout the severe winter of the northlands remains to be seen. Full details are given in this week's issue of the "Overland Mail."

Swatow has again changed hands, the Reds having departed before the Cantonese troops, and again the city is under the control of General Li Chai-sun's forces.

Canton itself has undergone a startling change, so far as its politics are concerned. It has declared provincial autonomy with, of course, Kwangsi as an ally.

Locally, the event of the week has been the giant fete held at Lee Garden in aid of the funds of the Ministering Children's League. The people of the Colony responded gladly to the call, and it is expected that at least \$10,000 profit will be shown. All local events, social and sporting, are fully described in this week's "Overland."

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LOCAL TENNIS.

DRAWS FOR LADIES' R.C. TOURNAMENT.

STARTS MONDAY NEXT.

The draws were made at the Ladies' Recreation Club this morning in connection with the annual tournament which will commence on Monday, October 10.

One week will be allowed for the play off of each round of the following events:—

Ladies' Open Championship Single, Men's Club Championship Single (these two events can be played on any grass court), Ladies' Handicap Doubles and Mixed Handicap Doubles.

Two weeks will be allowed for the play-off of the following events for the first round only:—

Open Mixed Doubles and Ladies' Hard Court Singles.

One week for each of the other rounds.

Umpires and balls will be provided by the Club for the finals only.

A time sheet on which players may book courts for matches has been placed in the possession of the Number 1 Boy at the Club House.

This morning's draws are as follows:—

Mrs. Craig & Miss Griffin
Miss Carothers & Miss Ellaby
Mrs. Russell Brown & Miss Lynch
Mrs. V. Kretschmar & Mrs. de Bruyn
Mrs. Miles & Mrs. Tottenham
Mrs. Cook & Mrs. Davenport Brown

LADIES' DOUBLES HANDICAP.

MIXED DOUBLES HANDICAP.

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R. E. & Mrs. Tottenham
W. A. Nowers & Mrs. Cook

C. D. Humphreys & Mrs. James

Grigor & Mrs. Grigor

H. R. & Mrs. Remington

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Col. Russell Brown
G. H. Bond
G. T. Pilgrim
T. Lanyon
Rev. Alexander

Maj. W. B. Stevenson
E. R. Dovey
Maj. C. Willson
T. A. Merry
C. C. Stark
J. C. Craig

H. R. Remington
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Mrs. Cook
Miss Enid Lo
Miss B. Ellaby
Miss To
Mrs. Stark
Mrs. Miles
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Mrs. Sayer
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Mrs. A. Castro
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Mrs. Millard
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Mrs. James
Mrs. Miles
Mrs. G. M. Hall
Miss B. Ellaby

Mrs. Grigor
Mrs. Tottenham
Miss Carothers
Mrs. Davenport Brown
Mrs. Remington

V.R.C. SWIMMING.

FEW ENTRANTS FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The swimming championships held under the auspices of the V.R.C. yesterday attracted few entrants. Results:—
400 Yards Championships.—1, D. Lyon; 2, J. S. Lyon; 3, Bomdr. Norris. Time: 5 mins. 51 2/5 secs. 6 mins. 15 secs. and 6 mins. 33 3/6 secs.
100 Yards Breast Stroke.—1, H. F. Remedios. Time: 91 secs. (walk-over).

LOCAL SOCCER.

TWO MATCHES YESTERDAY.

South China yesterday defeated the Police on the Club ground by two goals to one, Chan So and Tin Yuk-on scoring for the winners and Noonan for the Police.
At King's Park the R.A.F. played a goalless draw against the Scots Guards.

LOCAL RUGBY.

CLUB DEFEATS SCOTS GUARDS.

At Happy Valley yesterday the R.A. Rugby Football Club defeated the Scots Guards by one goal and two tries (11 points) to one drop goal and one try (seven points). Pritchard and Wales scored tries for the Club. Lt.-Comdr. Herbert controlled the game.

LOCAL CRICKET.

BIG WIN FOR INFANTRY BRIGADE.

GARRISON BEATEN.

The 15th Infantry Brigade defeated the Hong Kong Garrison on the Club ground yesterday by 98 runs. Details:—

Hong Kong Garrison.
Capt. Thorp, run out 12
Capt. Howard, c Tyingham, b Melsome 5
Capt. Morris, c Whitherall, b Melsome 7
Capt. Bridgland, c and b Freshwater 0
Capt. Davis, c Usher, b Melsome 0
Capt. Dobbie, c Graham, b Melsome 15
Lieut. Smith, b Freshwater 0
Lieut. Wright, c Usher, b Freshwater 2
Pte. Lake, run out 19
Spr. Goodyear, not out 14
Extras 10

Total (for 9 wickets, dec.) 84
Runs at the fall of each wicket: 1 for 14; 2 for 24; 3 for 24; 4 for 25; 5 for 25; 6 for 25; 7 for 31; 8 for 49; 9 for 84.
Mr. Gnr. Fogden did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.
Freshwater 9 0 25 4
Melsome 15 6 24 3
Bingham 8 1 14 0
Whitherall 2 3 1 7 0
Hargreaves 1 0 4 0
15th Infantry Brigade.
Lieut. Whitherall, c Morris, b Goodyear 15
Gaurdsman Hargreaves, c Wright, b Lake 3
Lieut. Usher, run out 46
Capt. Tyingham, c Fogden, b Lake 20
Capt. Graham, b Smith 15
Lieut. Melsome, c Morris, b Thorp 33
Major Playfair, c and b Morris 4
Capt. Murray, c Thorp, b Morris 10
Capt. Bingham, not out 9
Capt. Hinchcliffe, c Smith, b Bridgland 19
Sgt. Freshwater, b Wright 0
Extras 9

Total 182
Runs at the fall of each wicket: 1 for 15; 2 for 19; 3 for 69; 4 for 102; 5 for 107; 6 for 154; 7 for 164; 8 for 156; 9 for 181; ten for 182.
Bowling Analysis.
Goodyear 7 1 19 1
Lake 1 2 19 2
Thorp 7 0 25 1
Wright 8 3 0 13 1
Morris 10 0 53 2
Smith 4 0 38 1
Bridgland 1 0 4 1

R.A.S.C. TRIAL MATCH.

By kind permission of the Indian Recreation Club, the Royal Army Service Corps held a trial match on that Club's ground at Sookumpoo, on Tuesday.

The teams were captained by Lieut.-Colonel G. E. Badcock, R.A.S.C. and Captain E. W. Morris, I.A.S.C. and the match resulted in a win for the former eleven by 15 runs.

Captain Morris XI.

S. Sgt. Wood, b Badcock 10
S. Q. M. S. Moss, c Crowcroft 11
b Newberry 1
L/Cpl. McIntyre, b Badcock 13
Pte. Lyons, b Badcock 13
Cpl. Skyle, st. Harding, b Edwards 3
Sgt. Nicholls, c Quince, b Fennell 1
L/Cpl. Tibbs, l.b.w. Badcock 12
Sgt. Twelves, st. Harding, b Newberry 3
Cpl. Bowles, b Crowcroft 8
Capt. Morris, b Badcock 12
Pte. Freyne, not out 0
Extras 7

Total 75
Bowling.
Lieut. Colonel Badcock 5 for 15
S.Q.M.S. Newberry 2 for 33
L/Cpl. Fennell 1 for 1
Sgt. Edwards 1 for 2
Cpl. Crowcroft 1 for 7

Lieut. Colonel Badcock's XI.
Lt. Col. Badcock, b McIntyre 11
S.Q.M.S. Glenn, run out 6
L/Cpl. Harding, c Twelves, b Lyons 4
L/Cpl. Quince, st. Wood, b Lyons 0
Cpl. Crowcroft, c Twelves, b McIntyre 12
Pte. Edwards, c and b Morris 17
S.Q.M.S. Newberry, b Moss 7
L/Cpl. Fennell, c Skyle, b McIntyre 14
Cpl. Linn, b Morris 0
Sgt. Smith, c McIntyre, b Lyons 13
S. Sgt. Allen, not out 6
Extras 6

Total 90
Bowling.
Pte. Lyons 3 for 21
L/Cpl. McIntyre 3 for 27
Captain Morris 2 for 17
S.Q.M.S. Moss 1 for 15

WEEK-END TEAMS.

The following will represent the Hong Kong Electric Company in their League match against the Royal Engineers at King's Park on Saturday: L. de Rome T. L. Foster, C. E. Gahagan, W. H. N. Murdoch, G. Murray, W. B. Muskett, F. Northington, S. J. Stanesby, G. G. Thomas, J. G. Vickers and J. R. Way (captain). Reserves, J. C. Dunbar and S. J. Clarke.

The team to play in the friendly match against the Indian Recreation Club "B" team on Monday at the latter ground will be S. Deacon, L. de Rome, J. C. Dunbar, C. E. Gahagan, H. S. Jones, W. H. N. Murdoch, W. B. Muskett, S. J. Stanesby, G. G. Thomson, G. Vickers and J. R. Way (captain). The reserves will be S. F. Lunney and S. J. Clarke.

FANLING HUNT.

PLANS FOR THE COMING SEASON.

YESTERDAY'S MEETING.

Optimism for a successful season was expressed at a meeting of the Fanling Hunt yesterday when plans for the coming season were discussed.

Dr. F. Pierce-Grove presided. Outlining the financial position of the Club, Mr. J. K. Bousfield said that they were in debt at the moment to the extent of about \$1,000, \$50 being due for hounds from Home and about \$700 for the hounds at Welham. Against this they had a small credit balance.

Mr. Maas gave a report on the "Hunter's Arms," stating that advances from other accounts had been necessary in order to meet working expenditure, the debt with which they started the new season being \$464. If the Hunt was well supported and subscribers could be persuaded to do all their entertaining in the "Arms," rather in private houses it was hoped to make the "Arms" nearly pay for itself during the coming season.

The Chairman referred to the interest that had been shown in the Hunt by people at Home on the occasion of his recent return there and referred to the great improvements that had been made to the course. As regards the coming season, they had asked Usher, Mr. Bulteel and Mr. Bousfield to be whips. They would want one more and also a Huntsman. He had also asked Mr. Paterson, Mr. Stanton, Mr. Watson and Mr. Reidy, together with the Huntsman to be chosen, to form themselves into a sort of board to decide points in connection with the Hunt as they arose.

It was decided to try and arrange the first Hunt meet for the latter end of November.

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Four students of St. Stephen's College, under the supervision of two masters, carried out harbour swimming tests yesterday, three of the students successfully crossing from Kowloon Dock to the Chinese Bathing Club in spite of a strong tide and choppy sea.

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MONEY & SHARES.

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Bank on demand 1/11 1/2
Bank 30 day's sight 1/11 1/2
Bank 4 months' sight 1/11 1/2
Credits 4 months' sight 2/- %
Documentary 4 months' sight 2/- %

On Paris—
On demand 1220
Credits 4 months' sight 1295

On Berlin—
On demand 131 1/2

On New York—
On demand 48
Credits 60 days' sight 49 1/2

On Bombay—
Wire 131 1/2
On demand 131 1/2

On Calcutta—
Wire 131 1/2
On demand 131 1/2

On Singapore—
On demand 85 1/2

On Manila—
On demand 96 1/2

On Shanghai—
On demand 78 1/2
30 day's sight (private paper) 78 1/2

On Yokohama—
On demand 102 1/2

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Stock. Hong Kong Stock Exchange.
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Banks.
Hongkong Bank \$1150 sa
do. Lon. Reg. \$122 1/2 sa
Chartered Bank \$120 1/2 sa
Mercantile A. & C. \$13 1/2 n
P. & O. Bank \$10 1/2 n
East Asia \$68 n

Marine Insurance.
Canton Insurance \$570 n
China Underwriters \$1.35 n
North China Insurance T143 n
Union Insurance \$298 b \$293 1/2 sa
Yangtze Insurance \$44 1/2 M. b

Fire Insurance.
China Fire Insurance \$210 b
H.K. Fire Insurance \$590 n
Shipping.
Douglas \$33 b
H.K. Steamships \$31 b
H.K. Tugs & Lighters \$2 n
Indo-China (Pref) \$80 n
do. (Def) \$48 n
Shell Transport \$90/- n
Star Ferries \$54 n
Water-boats \$17 n

Revenues.
China Sugars \$13 s
Malayan Sugars \$30 s
Mining.
Benguet \$1.65 n
Kallian Mining Ad. \$4/- n
Langkate (Combined) \$77 1/2 n
do. (Single) \$73 1/2 n
Shanghai Exploration T3 n
Shanghai Loans T6 1/2 n
Rauha \$3.80 n
Tronoh Mines 19/8 n
Ural Caspian 3/- n

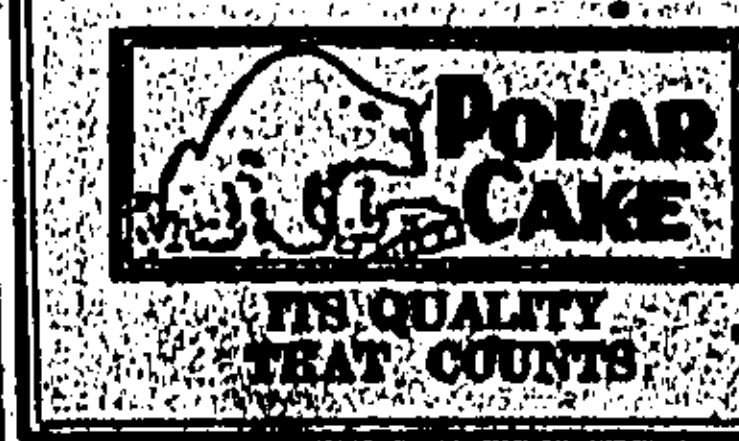
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.
H.K. & W. Wharves \$115 1/2 b
H.K. & W. Docks \$35 n
Hongkong \$147 b
New Engineering \$4 1/2 b
Shanghai Docks T92 b
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.
Shanghai Lands T118 n
H.K. & S. Hotels \$6 1/2 n
Hongkong Lands \$56 1/2 n
Hongkong Realty \$4 n
H.K. Territories \$1 1/2 s
Humphreys Estates \$13 1/2 s
Prince's Building \$110 b
Rural Lands \$1 1/2 n

Cotton Mills.
Ewo Cottons \$7.80 s
Orientals \$1.80 b
Shal Cottons (Old) T47 n
do. (new) T22 n
Buses, Trams, &c.
China Buses T54 n
H.K. Tramways \$20.10 b \$20 sa
Peak Trams (old) \$14 s
do. (new) \$7 s
Singapore Tractions 12/6 n
Taxis \$1 n

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H.K. Amusements \$10 1/2 n
Canton Ice \$5 n
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do. (new) \$1 s
China Lights (comb.) \$12 n
do. (old) \$9 1/2 n
do. (new) \$8 1/2 n
China Prov. \$3 1/2 n
H.K. Construction \$1 1/2 n
Dairy Farms \$15 1/2 n
Der A. Wings \$6 n
H.K. Electrics \$52 b
Macao Electrics \$43 n
H.K. Ropes (old) \$10 n
do. (new) \$5 n
Lane, Crawford \$5 n
Mackintosh \$22 s
Sincera \$3 1/2 n
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THE WORLD OF BOOKS

IN THE MAGAZINES.

Treats.

For myself, although I find that many things, from rides in automobiles to visits to the theatre, are no longer treats, the receipt of an old book is still an inexpressible treat. Not a new book, but an old one—almost any old one, providing it is small and a classic. But I rarely receive such a treat. I am given handsome new books, which I do not care for. In olden days my greatest treat was to be taken for a ride, either in Paris or in London, upon the front seat of a horse-omnibus or tramcar. Such rides are my earliest recollection. They remain in memory as the epitome of happiness. Nor is this kind of treat altogether removed nowadays. The horses are gone, it is true, with their rhythmical hoofbeats, and the gentle swaying which they imparted to the vehicle, but even an electric tramcar or a motor-omnibus can raise me at this time to a state of absorbed contemplation such as no smaller and more plastic automobile can achieve. An almost completely windless summer day, with white-flannel-clad cricketers at play upon the common, is a perfect treat for me. So is a day spent upon a sailing yacht. Aboard a yacht one can experience some of the great glories of sensation of which human beings are capable. The sight of blue sky and running water, sun glittering upon brasswork and the exquisite lines of the deck; the sense of easy and unfettered motion, of remoteness, buoyancy, and adventure; the complete shedding of all feeling of responsibility for one's course, one's own safety and the safety of others—these are only a few of the splendours of yachting. And as, for me, yachting is an experience enjoyed only once in two or three years, it is a treat still, and will always be a treat.

It is a treat to me to hear the skylark. It is a treat to be demonstratively recognised by a little dog that I have not seen for some time. It is a treat to walk upon the Sussex or the Wiltshire downs, or to stand overlooking the Sussex Weald. It is a treat to read a witty book, or to remember all the happy times I have had in the course of a somewhat chequered life.—Frank Swinerton in Good Housekeeping.

Hidden Treasures.

Lucerne is equally famed for its magnificent situation on the shores of the Lake of the Four Cantons and for its Lion Monument. The Lion of Lucerne was caused by Louis XVI to be executed as a memorial to the faithfulness and valour of his Swiss Guard, and the noble beast's expression as it lies wounded, but still guarding the French fleur-de-lis, is one of the most tender and pathetic glances ever put into stone. The pleasure of viewing the memorial, which is carved from the face of a tall cliff, is not gained without a search, but the lion will be discovered in the Glacier Garden, an out-of-the-way spot at the back of the town, and well away from the regular "sights."

Paris is a remarkable city, both for displaying and hiding its treasures. Where they are revealed they cannot be overlooked, but when they are hidden patience and ingenuity are often required to detect them. The famed Venus de Milo, the world's finest example of Greek sculpture according to many judges, is kept in the Louvre, the great art museum, once the town palace of the French kings. She will not be found in the main entrance hall, however, guarded by an iron fence, and gazed at in admiration by crowds of tourists, but after some questing about the traveller will discover her at the end of a long corridor crammed with other pieces of Greek art, and only distinguished from her neighbours by a neat label. Hundreds of people

pass her every day with scarcely a casual glance. In the Louvre also is Leonardo da Vinci's celebrated painting "La Gioconda," perhaps better known as the "Mona Lisa." Whilst this inscrutable portrait of a woman's head with its enigmatic smile has recently been rehung with better effect, for many years it was hidden amongst a mass of larger and more brilliantly coloured canvases in the main Renaissance gallery.—W. B. Kay in "Chambers's Journal."

"Aren't Men Queer?"

They are queer—Adam be thanked for it! They are maddening—to Eve be the praise! Imagine a world in which men were tidy and women did not fuss, in which men had no livers and women no nerves! A pleasant world—a world too good to be true? I don't agree with you. Imagine how empty life would feel if you knew that never again would you have the satisfaction of saying to a trusty member of your own sex:—"Women are maddening!" or "Queer things, men!"—Clemence Dane in the "Forum."

In St. James's Park.

There was magic in the Park! Elfins lamps across the dark Out of fairyland were lit As the evening covered it With a twinkling gossamer of summer rain, And a loveliness of light, Born of neither day nor night, Changed each drunken silly chair Into some fantastic "fair" Blithely dancing o'er the shaven sward again.

Beauty wandered out to play Right across the gravelled way; Grimy pallings, grass, and trees, With enchanting wizardries, Caught the silver-ribboned path-way in a net; Magic trembled all around, Magic gold of magic ground, Magic! Magic everywhere, Till you kicked a sopping chair, And I think I heard you say, "Confound the wet!" Claudine Currey in the "Windward Magazine."

KENJIRO TOKUTOMI.

Death Announced From Tokyo.

Tokyo, Sept. 19. The death is announced of Mr. Kenjiro Tokutomi, a well-known Japanese novelist, the end of an event taking place at Ikaho yesterday. The deceased is a younger brother of Mr. Ichiro Tokutomi, the President of the Kokumin. He wrote in 1899 "Naniko," a tragic novel intended to depict the collision between old and modern ideas of Japan, and which has enjoyed an immense popularity, having gone through more than 100 editions. The book has been translated and published in America. He wrote many other novels, all of which met with ready appreciation of the public. He undertook a pilgrimage to Jerusalem and visited Count Tolstoy in 1900.—Toho News Agency.

PUBLISHERS' COMBINE.

New York, Sept. 22. The amalgamation of three of the leading publishing houses of the United States and Britain was announced here to-day. Doubleday Page Company and George H. Doran Company of New York will merge immediately, while Doubleday Doran and William Helman Limited will merge January 1, but continue operating under the same name.

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READING CRITICAL WORK.

Patrick Braybrooke (Author of "J. M. Barrie," "Kipling and his Soldiers," "The Genius of Bernard Shaw," "Considerations on Edmund Gosse," etc.) writes in "Books of the Month" (Wm. Dawson and Sons, Ltd.):—

There is no need to do much more than glance at the advertisements of the various publishers, to perceive that there is a good and efficient supply of what can be called critical literature. It is fashionable to-day to write books dealing with the work of famous contemporary writers, and from the sales recorded of such books the public quite evidently is interested in this kind of literary art.

Now I contend that there are two ways of approach through which a person can attain to the dignity of being on intimate terms with a great author. He can, on the one hand, study the author himself, read his all and every books, he can examine the position of the author from his own books and determine what he conceals his merits or blemishes to be.

On the other hand, a person can read a book about a great author, see what a critic has to say, get hold of the essence of the author in question, and then having read all about him, he can lay the critical book on one side and turn to the actual work and form his own judgment as to the merits or blemishes of the critic's examination.

In my opinion these two methods of studying standard authors have each claim to consideration. The person who studies an author direct can approach his task without any bias. The person who reads a critical study first, is liable to approach his author persuaded or annoyed by the critic's opinion, either of which emotions may tend to make him look upon the author from an exaggerated angle.

Now it so happens that the day in which we happen to live is one of hurry, bustle, and scurry. Numerous persons (I know from letters I have received) are interested enormously in the works of great authors such as Shaw, Kipling, Hardy, Chesterton, Wells. But they simply have not time to give the necessary attention that is demanded to read their works in the original. This is where the critical study comes in and functions effectively in the matter of inducing sound reading. The critical study of Shaw, Kipling, Chesterton is a kind of text book, it gives a small knowledge of the particular author, and persuades many people to read of good work, when they would have no time to read the actual work.

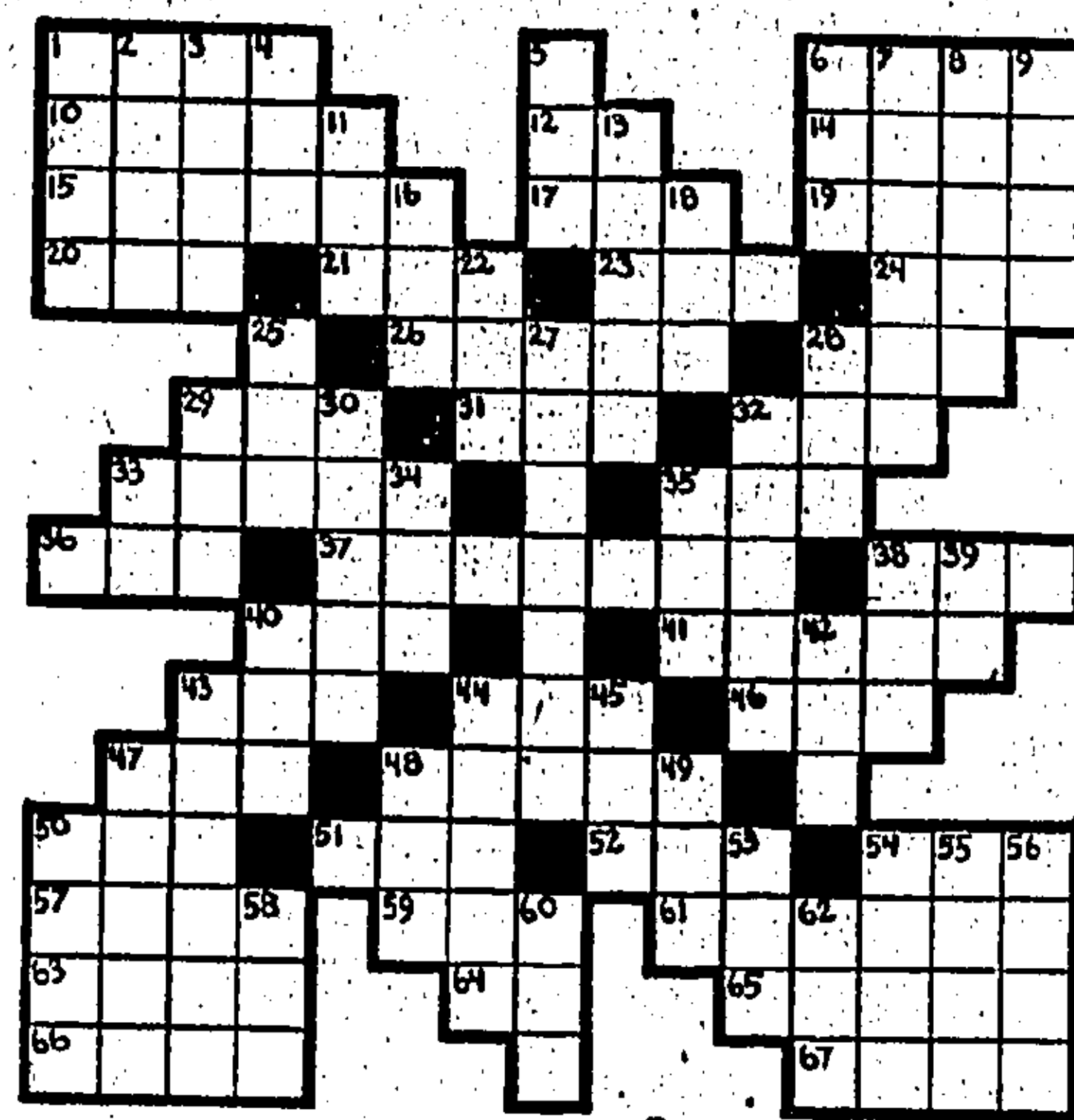
It is far better that a thousand persons should read a book about Mr. Shaw than that only twenty should actually read him. Then again the question of economy comes in. A critical study of a great author can be bought for a few shillings, whereas all the works of a man like Shaw would cost several pounds.

The critical study is doing a useful work in introducing standard authors to many who otherwise would have no acquaintance with their books and plays. The ideal to my mind is that the critical study and the actual work should be read together. But where this is not possible, the critical monograph plays an important role and is generally spreading the thoughts and works of great authors among many who would otherwise know them simply as names.

The National Book Council is doing a splendid work in making the public look upon reading as a natural thing, as natural as eating and drinking. The writer of critical books, provided his work is sound, is doing a good deal to help the Council in its task and also in doing a good deal to extend over the universe the desire for serious reading.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL

- 1-What is an Egyptian of ancient descent called?
- 6-To suggest indirectly
- 10-Eskimo's home
- 12-On a higher place
- 14-Scent
- 15-Realities
- 17-A notable period
- 19-German feminine article
- 20-Word of assent
- 21-Possessive pronoun
- 23-To miss one's aim
- 24-A month (abbr.)
- 25-Who was the inventor of the telephone?
- 28-A playing card
- 29-Convulsion
- 31-Exalted
- 32-Every
- 33-What was the old name for the Swiss Lake Geneva?
- 35-What is the poetical name for India?
- 36-Part of the face
- 37-Letter
- 38-Reverential fear
- 40-A high mountain
- 41-A small anchor
- 43-Climbing plant
- 44-A river in S. E. Russia
- 45-To entreat
- 47-Negro sorcery, W. Indies

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 48-Trivial
- 50-A compass point (abbr.)
- 51-What is the Latin for "nothing?"
- 52-A tree
- 54-Mineral spring
- 57-A square land measure
- 59-Crafty
- 61-To moderate
- 62-To navigate
- 64-Personal pronoun
- 65-Mercantile traffic
- 66-What is a street car called in England?
- 67-A covered colonnade

VERTICAL

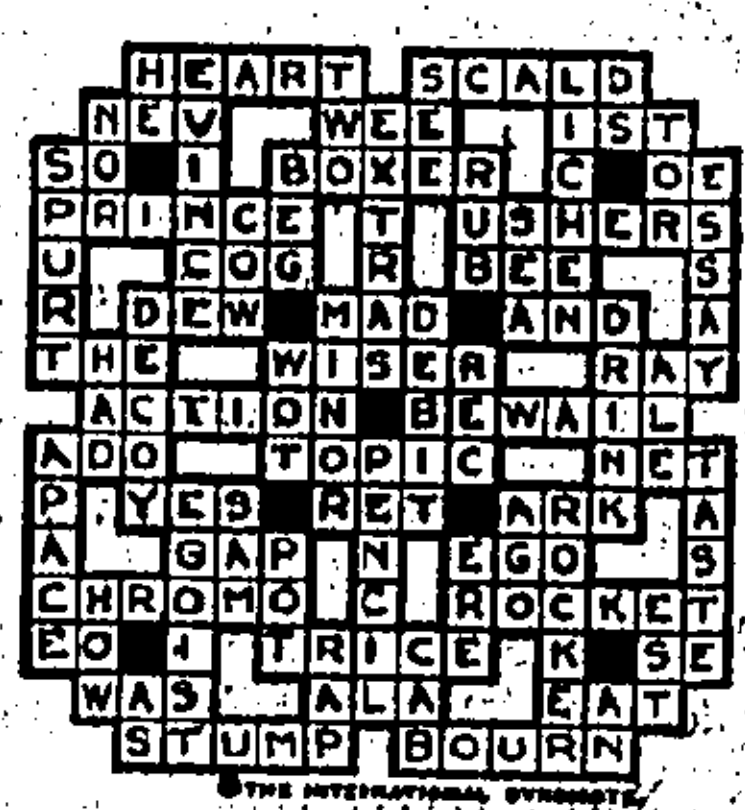
- 1-Large town
- 2-What is a man-eating demon?
- 3-Having an addition of
- 4-A little child
- 5-To regret
- 6-A garden tool
- 7-Fatally
- 8-Present time
- 9-A former allowance
- 10-A shade-tree
- 11-Interjection
- 12-What are newspapers collectively called?

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 10-To present in brief
- 18-Exist
- 22-Rank; file
- 25-Obvious
- 27-What is the capital of Lower Burma?
- 28-Conjunction
- 29-Not many
- 30-Record
- 32-What are the highest mountains of S. America?
- 33-A musical note
- 34-Short slumber
- 35-To weary
- 37-Time-period
- 39-Personal pronoun
- 40-Hall (Latin)
- 42-Swarty
- 43-What was the old name of the Spanish-Portuguese peninsula?
- 44-To delay
- 45-No
- 47-Man's name
- 48-Twice
- 49-To hire
- 50-The Orient is what?
- 53-Moist
- 54-A petty dispute
- 55-Combining form
- 56-Any open space
- 58-A shade-tree
- 60-Skill
- 62-Married woman's title (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



HONGKONG HEIGHTS.

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

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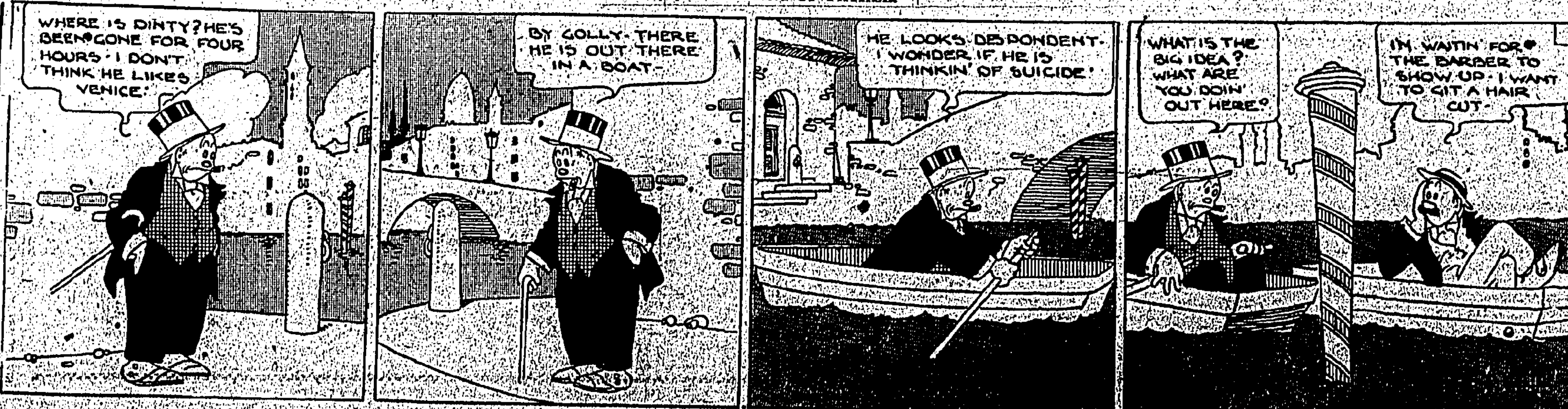
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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

Smash Caused by Rabbit.

"Death from misadventure, char-a-banc driver exonerated," was the verdict of the coroner's jury at Swanley, Kent, at an inquest on the body of Montague Williams (28), of Bow, London, who was killed by the overturning at Farningham of a char-a-banc. It was stated that the driver, Vere Bingley, swerved to avoid a cyclist who had fallen from his machine in trying to keep clear of a rabbit.

Hampton Court vine has this year yielded 500 bunches.

Mr. Marcus Loew, the cinema and theatre magnate, died in New York.

Twenty-three persons were injured in a tramcar collision in Brussels.

Mr. E. Weare (75) died while conducting a service at Biddstone Baptist Chapel, Chippenham.

Out of 42 calls answered by the London Fire Brigade during Saturday and Sunday in mail week 10 were malicious false alarms.

Train Breaks in Two.

A Southern Railway Atlantic Coast excursion train from Bude, Padstow and Wadebridge broke in two at Crowkerne, a few miles west of Yeovil. The train was travelling between 30 and 40 miles an hour and carried about 300 passengers. No damage was done, but the accident held up the Atlantic Coast express for an hour and a half at Chard. A mail train from Fishguard to Paddington had to be pulled up after passing Ealing Broadway owing to a defect being discovered in the locomotive. Another engine had to be procured before the journey could be resumed.

Owing to bad trade, the wages of Leicester miners have been reduced 3.8 per cent. The most highly paid workers now receive 9s. 11d. per shift, involving a reduction of about 1s. 6d. per week. Wages are now practically down to the minimum.

Seventy passengers and the crew of the liner "American Banker" have been placed in quarantine on the arrival of the vessel at New York, following an outbreak of small-pox on board. Passengers were offered the choice of being vaccinated or placed in detention until it is determined whether they have contracted the disease.

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Police Stop Runaway.

People in Ramsgate's principal shopping district had a thrill when a horse, attached to a van, bolted in Queen-Street and dashed across the market place into King-Street. Police-constable Oram, who was off duty, managed to climb into the back of the cart, grasp the reins and bring the animal to a standstill. Oram then walked to the market place and took over point duty until the arrival of a colleague, who had joined in the chase.

Further landslides have taken place on the famous Tollyllyn mountain pass road.

In 39 companies registered in connection with dog racing this year the capital is £571,600.

The United States liner "Anacortes," ashore on the County Down coast, was refloated.

The existence of foot-and-mouth disease has been confirmed at Kempston, near Bedford.

An engagement is announced between Miss Alice Labouisse Eno, daughter of Professor Henry Lane Eno, of Princeton University, and Mrs. Eno, and Mr. Henry Lennox d'Aubigne Hopkinson, third secretary of the British Embassy in Washington. The wedding will take place in the autumn.

When the R.M.S.P. liner "Almazora" was at a point 20 miles south of the Needles, on September 2, a casket containing the ashes of Captain Sir Charles Edward Down, R.N.R., was committed to the deep. The duty fell upon Captain C. Adam, the commander of the ship, and an old colleague of Sir Charles, who had a distinguished career as captain of R.M.S.P. vessels.

"Killing Better Men."

"You young men ride about, and if you killed yourselves it might not be a great loss, but, unfortunately, you kill better men than yourselves." This remark was made by the coroner to a motor-cyclist at an inquest at Ludlow, when the jury returned a verdict of accidental death on Arthur Holland (65), of Hope, Ludlow, who was knocked down by a motor-cycle. The coroner told the driver, John Ernest Pearce, of Ludlow, that the jury had taken a merciful view.

Swept off his feet by a heavy ground swell, Reginald Scholey (15), a Hull Grammar School boy, was drowned while bathing at Cowden.

P. C. George Claydon (40), of Broke-Street, Dalston, six feet seven-in height and 15 stone in weight, was recently invalided out of the Metropolitan Police with a small pension. This worried him a great deal, and on September 3 his body was found among the bushes in Epping Forest. He was married and had three children.

Arthur Boucherier Ill.

Arthur Boucherier, the well-known actor, who is playing in "Ambrose Applejohn's Adventure" in South Africa, was seized with illness at Johannesburg on September 2 and taken to a nursing home. He is 63 years of age.

Mr. Horace Beckford Bartlett, a well-known South Devon brewer and agriculturist, has died at Little Dartmouth.

Mr. H. R. Raikes, sub-rector of Exeter College, Oxford, has accepted the Principalship of Witwatersrand University.

It is recommended that Hove should have a new timber groyne where part of the esplanade has been washed away.

While practising hymns for a service the Rev. Edward Hugh Hammond, rector of Puddington (Devon), has died, aged 65.

A notable film on view in London is "Chang," an amazingly realistic and intimate study of phases of native and jungle life in Siam, supported by marvellous animal pictures.

\$150 Taken From Suit-Case.

When collecting his luggage before leaving Dunster, Somerset, Mr. Weatherhall, the head-groom to a polo player who was attending the West Somerset tournament, found that the bottom had been cut away from a suit-case and a bundle of notes, to the value of about \$150, extracted.

First time for 200 years a banquet was held in old hall at Haddon Hall, when the Duke of Rutland entertained 80 workmen.

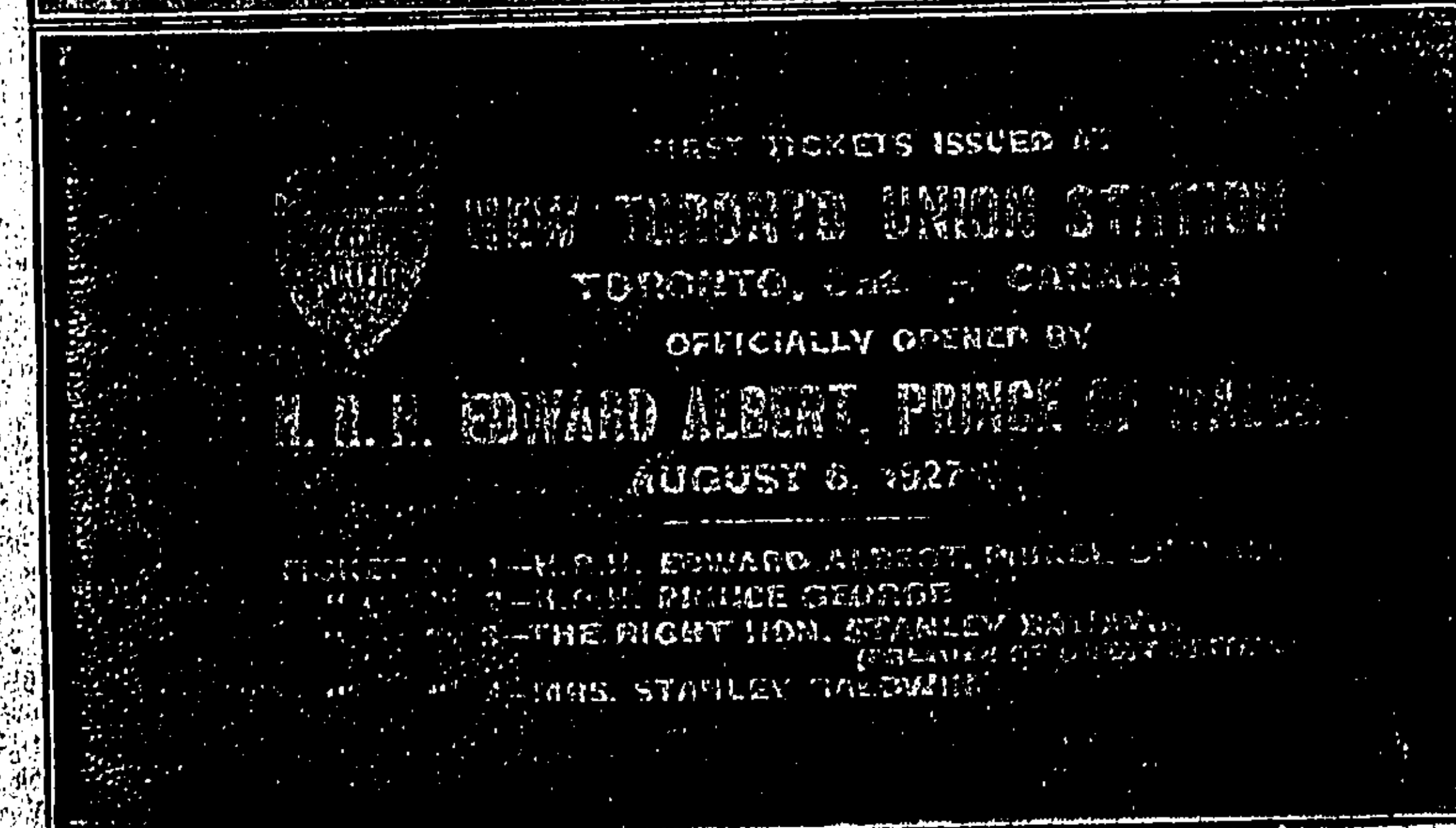
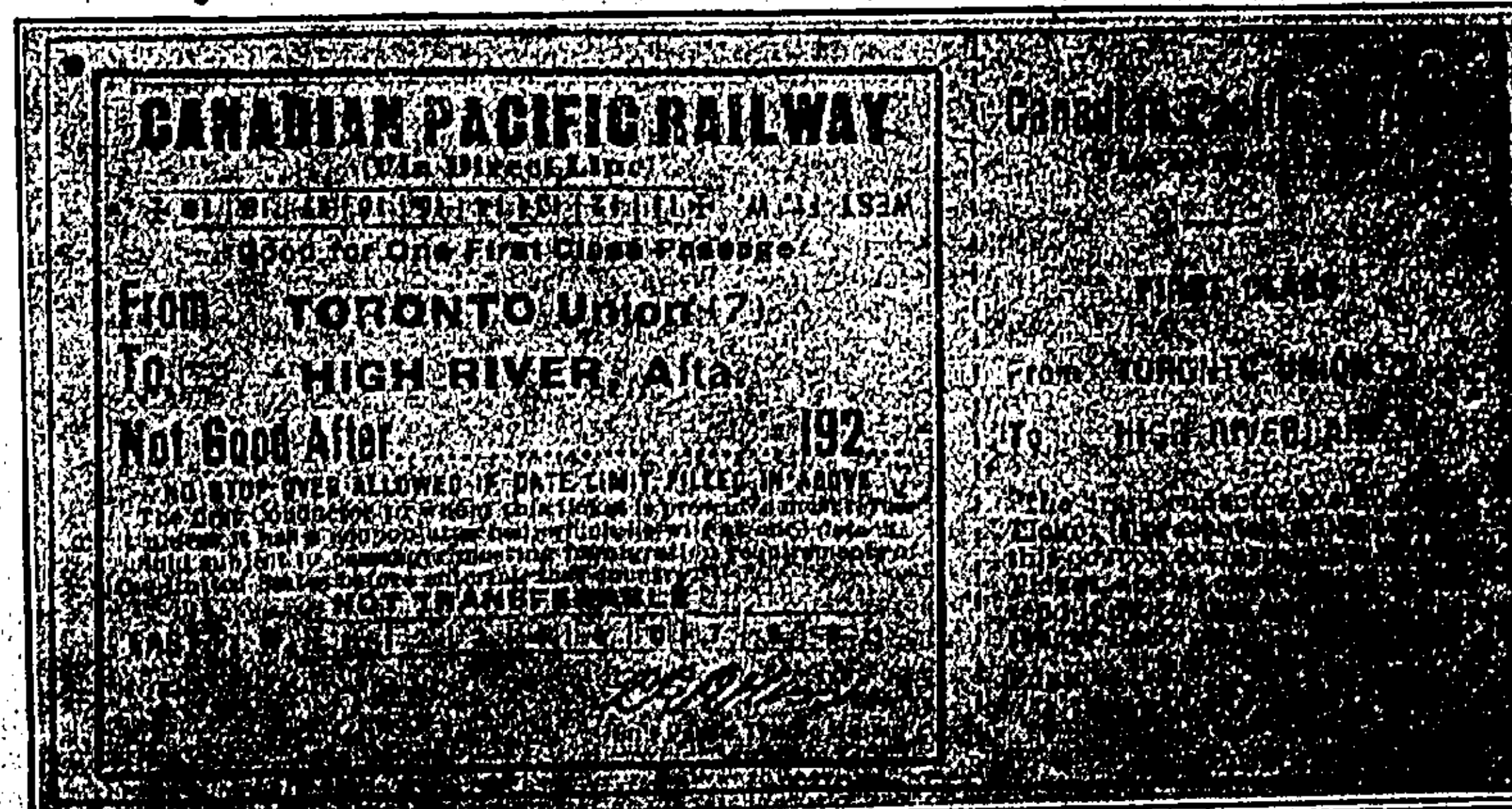
Over 120 passengers were injured in a collision between two trains, caused by fog, at Ottignies, Belgium.

A representative from Japan, is attending this year's Three Choirs Festival at Hereford, the 207th music meeting since its foundation in 1715. There are numbers from America, the Colonies, Germany, Rome, and other European places.

A Congregational minister, of High Wycombe, Bucks, the Rev. G. F. Horton, who had been missing for several days and is thought to have been suffering from loss of memory, was found at Cork. Two deacons of Mr. Horton's church left by train for Ireland to bring him home.



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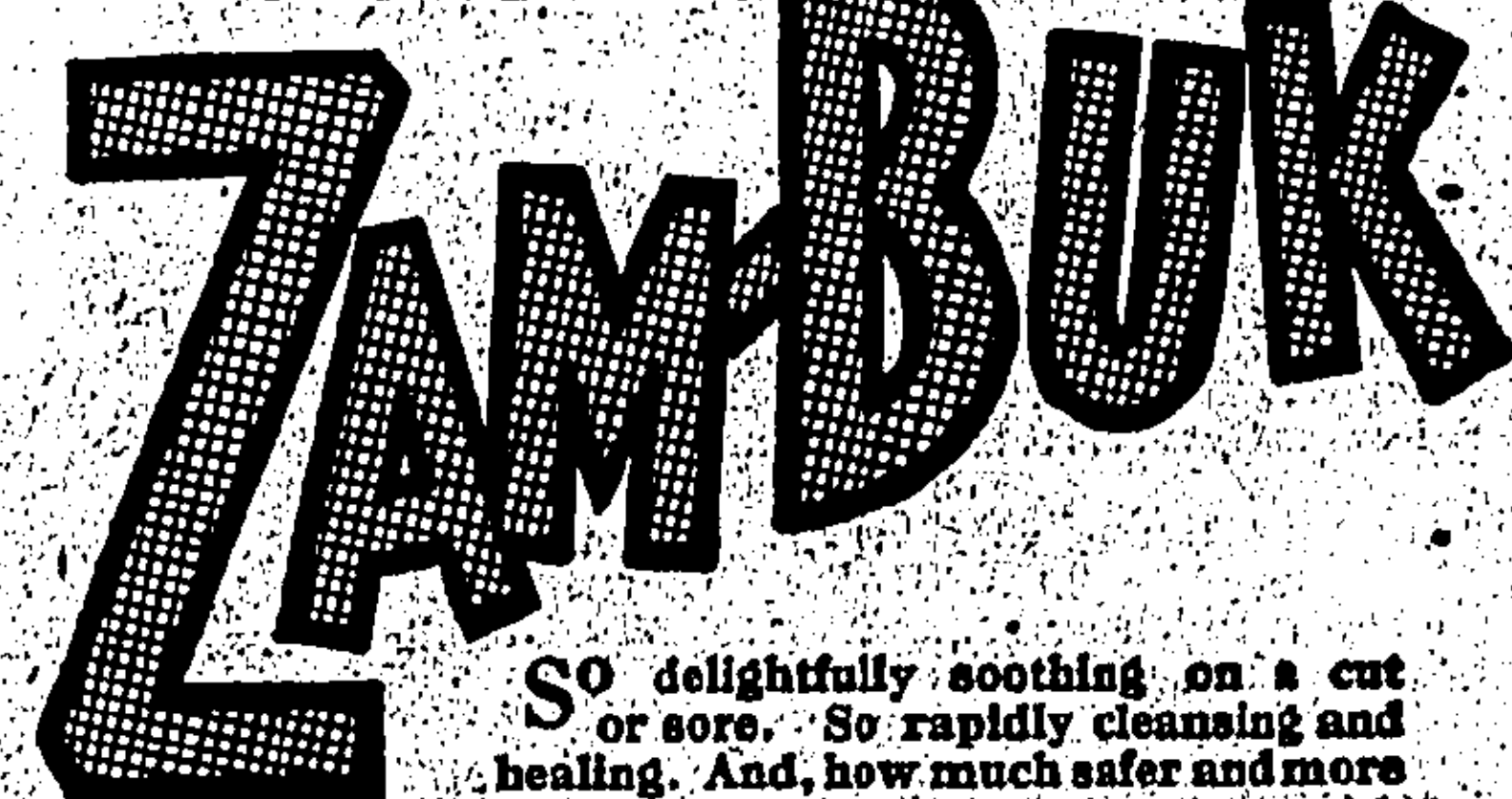
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From	THURSDAY, OCTOBER	Per
Shanghai	6	Ningpo.
Japan & Shanghai	8	Atsuta Maru.
Shanghai	9	Sinkiang.
Europe via Negapatam (letters & papers, London, 8th Sept.)	10	Diomed.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	10	Taiyo Maru.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	10	Fres. Jackson.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	11	Fres. Wilson.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai	11	Emp. of Russia.
Australia & Manila	12	Change.
Swatow & Amoy	14	Van Heuts.
Shanghai	16	Malwa.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	16	Fres. Taft.
Straits	16	Fushimi Maru.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	THURSDAY, OCTOBER	Per	Time
Bangkok	6	Chinhua	3.30 p.m.
Japan	6	Terilla	3.30 p.m.
Samshui & Wuchow	6	San On	3.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard & Hoihow	6	Yan On	4.30 p.m.
Hoihow	6	Devawongse	5 p.m.
Amoy	6	Szechuen	5 p.m.
Saigon	6	Bourbon	5 p.m.
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	7	Linan	2.30 p.m.
Hoihow & Haiphong	8	New Mathilde	8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 6th Nov. G.P.O.—Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. K.P.O.—Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m.	9	Atsuta Maru.	3.30 p.m.
Saigon	9	Prominent	3.30 p.m.
Straits & Calcutta. Parcels 5 p.m. Letters (9th Oct.) 9 a.m.	9	Lai Sang.	9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	9	Hozan Maru	9 a.m.
*Swatow & Bangkok	9	Kalgan	9 a.m.
Sandakan	10	Sui Sang	1.30 p.m.
Bangkok	10	Haldie	3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America, Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 3rd Nov. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	11	Fres. Pierce.	8.30 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	11	Taiywa Maru	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Fochow	11	Haiyang	Noon

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London's Lord And Lady Mayoress.

OTHER PAPAL VISITORS.

Interest Of His Holiness In British Metropolis.

London, Yesterday. Sir Rowland Blaes, Lord Mayor, and Lady Blaes were today received by the Pope. They were escorted to the presence of His Holiness by Sir Odo Russell, the British Minister at the Vatican. The Pope conversed with the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress for a quarter of an hour, expressing his gratification at meeting the official head of the British Metropolis, with whose affairs he showed intimate acquaintance.

The Lord Mayor replied that it was a wish of all English Catholics that he should call at the Vatican to pay his respects to the head of the Catholic religion, and indeed he had received many telegrams to that effect.

Other members of the Lord Mayor's party, including his daughters and the Sheriffs of London, with their wives, were then received by the Pope, who imparted to all an apostolic benediction.

Afterwards the Lord Mayor's party visited Cardinal Gasparri, the Papal Secretary of State.—British Wireless Service.

MONGOLIAN "REDS."

DEPUTATION ARRIVES IN MOSCOW.

EUGENE CHEN ON TOUR.

Moscow, Yesterday. Mr. Eugene Chen is touring Russia. He has left Baku for Borjom where he will rest. A deputation of the Mongolian Peoples' Army has arrived in Moscow to become acquainted with the work of the Red army.—Reuter.

BANK MERGER?

THE "CHARTERED" AND P. & O. BANK.

London, Yesterday. The Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China and the P. & O. Bank refuse to give any information and will neither confirm nor deny the recent newspaper report that the Chartered Bank of India is taking over the P. & O. Bank.—Reuter.

STILL NOT WANTED.

RAKOWSKY MUST GO, SAYS FRANCE.

Paris, Yesterday. M. Briand has instructed the French ambassador at Moscow again to point out to the Soviet Government that the French Government no longer considers Rakowsky persona grata and desires a new Ambassador to be sent to Paris.—Reuter.

FORGED STAMPS.

BIG HAUL AT SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, Yesterday. Following careful investigations, the Municipal Police on the 3rd instant, armed with a Consular Warrant, raided a Japanese printing shop and seized a large quantity of one cent forged Nationalist Tobacco Tax stamps. They arrested a Chinese who was leaving the shop with a parcel containing 500,000 stamps, and the Japanese printer, who revealed that the original order was for 8,000,000 stamps, of which the police have up to the present, seized upwards of 4,000,000.—Reuter.

AIRMAN IN INDIA.

DUTCH MAIL PLANE AT ALLAHABAD.

Allahabad, Yesterday. Koppen has arrived.—Reuter.

FRANCE AND U.S.A.

TARIFF CONTROVERSY STILL UNABATED.

WASHINGTON'S VIEW.

Washington, Yesterday. "France's method of dealing with the Tariff controversy has been neither wise nor far-seeing," declared Senator Swanson, Democrat member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. In a formal statement he said that by refusing to the United States the most-favoured-nation treatment France put herself in an attitude of discriminating favour to Germany her former enemy and against her former ally, the United States.

"Hard To Reconcile." While the amount of American commerce involved in the Franco-American tariff dispute is only \$10,000,000 out of a total commerce of four thousand million dollars, President Coolidge, representing White House feeling, that a principle was involved and one of serious concern to the United States Government which finds it hard to reconcile French action with the long enduring friendship of two countries. President Coolidge regards the dispute as one strictly confined to French discrimination.—Reuter's American Service.

MEXICAN REVOLT.

HOW GEN. SERRANO WAS EXECUTED.

Nogales, Arizona, Yesterday. It appears that the Mexican General Serrano with 18 of his follow-



PRESIDENT CALLES.

ers went to Morales to enlist the support of General Dominguez, an old friend of Serrano's, but Dominguez immediately court-martialed them and had their bodies exhibited in public.

Mexico City, Yesterday. Three further ex-general rebels have been captured and summarily executed in widely separated regions, namely De Lavega in Pachyca, and Rodriguez and Olivera in Zacatecas City.

According to an official statement only two rebel groups are now under arms both in Vera Cruz, one of which, under Gomez, consists of 800 men; and the second, under General Almada, chief of the Garzon of Mexico City, who left the capital on October 2 with a similar force but half of which has already surrendered.

The Government has ordered the confiscation of rebel property throughout the nation the proceeds of the sale of which will be used to defray the cost of crushing the rebellion.—Reuter.

Nogales, Yesterday. It is learned from Mexico City that serious rioting was reported in Mexico City on October 4. Several were killed and many injured. No details are yet available.—Reuter.

Gomez Executed. New York, Yesterday. The Mexican Consulate-General has been informed that the presidential candidate, General Gomez, one of the leaders of the revolt against the Federal troops, has been captured in the state of Vera Cruz and executed.

Mexico City, Yesterday. The Chamber of Deputies has expelled 25 members who supported the presidential campaign of Gomez and Serrano on the ground that they are unworthy of citizenship or membership of congress.—Reuter's American Service.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR. The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 1/11 11/16.

RESEARCH STATIONS.

Proposal For An Empire Chain.

AUSTRALIA'S PLEDGE.

The Far And Middle East To Be Included.

London, Yesterday. The Conference for Imperial Agricultural Research in London discussed a proposal to establish a well-staffed chain of tropical and sub-tropical research stations throughout the Empire grouped in the West Indies, West Africa, East Africa, the Far East and possibly the Middle East to work in conjunction with stations already established in the Dominions.

Professor Richardson, Australia, pledged his Government to undertake responsibility for one of the links of the chain at Queensland, which is a very important station, serving a million square miles of tropical land.—Reuter.

IN THE NEWS.

ITEMS FROM TO-DAY'S POLICE REPORTS.

Suffering from injuries received as the result of falling off a motor lorry belonging to the China Sugar Refinery at East Point, a coolie was yesterday taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

Knocked down by a public motor car (No. 418) near the Yaumati Ferry wharf in Connaught Road Central yesterday afternoon, a Chinese received injuries which necessitated his removal to the Government Civil Hospital.

A Chinese woman living on the first floor of No. 18, Barrington Street, Kowloon, was yesterday removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from the effects of opium poisoning stated to have been self-administered as the result of a family quarrel.

The police have received a report from a firewood merchant of No. 87, Gage Street, that a folk of the shop absconded at 7 a.m. on October 4 taking with him money and jewellery to the total value of \$4,169, the property of the complainant.

Police Lance Sergeant Mackay while out dog shooting yesterday, was bitten by a stray mongrel, and had to go to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment. The dog was destroyed and the carcass was removed to the Bacteriological Institute for examination.

A 7-year-old Chinese boy living in Kowloon village, Lokmachau district, was yesterday taken to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from injuries to his arm as the result of being knocked down by motor bus No. 837 owned by the Nam Hing Bus Company of Sheungshui.

John Reynolds, 45, residing in Praya East, was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital after he was found wandering in the Eastern district. It was subsequently discovered that he had escaped early in the morning from the French Hospital where he was a patient.

The Sanitary coolie who suffered fractures of both legs and the right arm when a Sanitary lorry fell into the harbour from the pier leading to the rubbish dump on the Kennedy Town Praya, beyond the Socony wharf, died in the Government Civil Hospital yesterday. The driver of the lorry who absconded immediately after the accident has not yet been found.

The coxswain of the Yaumati ferry launch "Man Lok" has reported to the police that at 12.30 a.m. to-day, while the launch was crossing the harbour from Yaumati, a cry of "Man overboard" went up as the vessel was in midstream. The man was stated by other passengers to have jumped over board from the stern of the launch. The coxswain stopped the launch and then circled the spot where the man was stated to have jumped in, but no trace of him could be found.

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